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PREFACE

Through the courtesy of Richard S. Rodney I was permitted to copy the diary of his ancestor, the Hon. Daniel Rodney.

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DANIEL RODNEY'S DIARY.

Mr Alex Stewart has requed from Mr Saunders and other Pilots informn relative to the number of shalws the alteratn if any in the shoals near the Cape &c—As the Pilots are so often in the City, an are not much in the habit of writg, some of the answers to the questns propd could be obtained there In Lewes Creek there are 10 or 12 Coasters, most of them owned about Ind River, in the Shingle trade from Suffolk to Phil & N. York and abt the same number of River Shallops and Pilot Boat belongg to Lewes—The next Creek B Kill has abt 20 that trade to the City—Egg Harbor, &c

The Survey of the Shears and adjacent Shoals made by Captn Hewit some years ago, is thot to be correct, and no alteration is known to have taken place since

Col. McClane, the Collector is supposed to have obtained a good survey of the Brandye where the Light is now established, and also of the Brown, Cross Ledge &c where Light Boats and Buoys have long been anchored

I recd some time in Jany some of the memorls in favor of the Breakwater near the Cape, which were promptly attendd to and sent to Mr Johns our Rept at Washingn

It is probable Congress will make an appropn, sufficient at least to authore the commencement of the Work

If they should, the great question for the Merchants and others to decide will be where to begin it—I have conversed with Pilots and others on that subject, who think the situatn in the Cove near the Pitch of the Cape will not answer, for several reasons—When the ice is making with the Wind at N. W & N. N. W as it generally does—it lodges in the Cove and fills it entirely when the Road is clear—and even the Shore above the Whale Boat landing

2nd Vessels in the night, in thick weather, or in Easterly Storms would not run on a lee shore, in the Breakers and risk getting in this harbour, where they could not anchor, nor fetch out to sea again

There are other reasons that appeal to me to exclude this situation tho I would not set up my Opinn agst that of others, who may be more interesd, or better qualifd to form a correct Judgement—This harbour recoved by Gen Bund &c would be but a half mile from the Bar in the Cove—I am persuaded it would fill up with mud—I remember the British Sloop of War Brach* was upset inside the Cape, in a squall, the next year 1798, the Hind Frigate and a Schooner from Halifax attempted to raise her, but failed, I was on board the Frigate with C. Bennett, and they ascertained the fact as they told me that the Brig was filled with mud—

Another situation is that proposed by Captn Hewit on the inside the Shears, this I should consider much preferable to the first, tho objections would be made to it, that it is too far off the Road, or Shore,

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and too bleak and exposed to Winds coming from the sea, as well as to N. W Winds ranging down from Mispillion, and would conseq^{ty} loose the advantage of the natural Harbour, referred to by the Engineer, in all Winds coming off the Land from S E. to N. W.

If those two situat^{ns} should be aban^{d} the 3^{d} that has been suggested would be a little outside the Pilot Boats roadstead, so as to secure 4½ or 5 fathom or so much as may be tho^{t} sufficient for the largest ships of War to haul in occasionally

This Scite would be ab^{t} N. N. E. from Lewes, would be in the best holding ground—would be generally free from ice, would not cost much if any thing more than Captn Hewits estimate, unless it should be made more capacious, and what is of great importance, could be found, or approached in thick and Tempestuous weather with more safety than any other, by taking soundings round the Shears when the Light House could not be seen

From my acquaitance with you, and knowing you to be interest^{d} in any measures that may improve the navigat^{n} of the Delaware, I have taken the Liberty, of furnishing those hints some of which may be found useful in commencing a work of such importance—If it should not be too troublesome I shall thank you to mention to Mr Stuart what I have said in relation to inquiries of John Saunders Senr Pilot, I have also talked with Wm Marshall Senr and Jas. West and some other Pilots on this subject—You will please to mention also to Mr Ralston what I have said in relation to the Memorial which he directed to my care

Our Citizens are all anxious that this work should succeed and most of them signed it

I presume the Chamber of Commerce have Captn Hewits survey—or it may be purchased in the City, it is certainly the best we have ever had of our Shore, and Road, the Shears &c up to Boyds Shoal, it was done from actual survey, by an able hand, and should be preserved

I suppose Mr John Leamy the Merchant is still living, I recollect in the Winter of 83-4 He came from Cadiz in a Ship—Capt Cole it was a cold Winter and calm, this ship (with 15 or 20 others driving in the ice) 3 miles to the S of the Cape drove ashore, landed her cargo in good Order, and the ice took her off again without injury—4 years before this was the hardest Winter we ever had since my mem^{y} and no ice was seen in the Bay, the Wind cont^{d} 5 weeks at W. N. W. and blew the ice to sea as it made, so that a ship could have laid in our road all Winter perfectly smooth and safe

1813. March 14. Sunday a British Ship of the Line came in and anchored opposite Lewes.

Monday a Frigate and a Tender came in and all anchored below the Brown 7 or 8 mile from Lewes, this day they took a Ship, sent her out, a Schooner and two Sloops, also sent two Boats and ran a Shallop of Saml. Paynters on shore at plumb point also one of Jno Smiths, Cap. Robins, the last of which they burnt. The Town of Lewes was alarmed and the Whale Boat sent down, and near 100 men on the Cape to keep the boat of.

Tuesday 16 March 1813 this morng. a Schooner from Charleston loaded with Cotton & Rice anchored close in with the bar. Pilots

went on board and carried her over the bar at Lewes Creek. flats were sent down and got out some Cotton, 2 four Pounders, there baggage &c upwards of 100 men from Lewes also went down to her. the British Ships sent 4 of thier boats, and after a sharp engagement with 1 four pounder and small arms, the British succeeded in burning the Schooner —for more than 3 Weeks there has been a Guard kept of 12 men and for the last 3 nights from 20 to 30.

the Schooner that was burnt was the Fancy. Cap. Denton of Philadelphia

Wednesday 17t March 1813 on Monday last an Express was sent to the Governor Haslet requesting him to send a Detachment of Militia to Lewes, and last eveng another Express to send us some Powder, and Ball, which we hear had been procured in Milford—I sent for a Keg of Powder yesterday to Geo. Robinson—We have yet had no supply from our own or U. S. Goverm^t except the musquets, and cartridges, that came last Sum^r all our preparations, and services performed here have been at the expence of the inhabitants who are now preparing to throw up some batt^s for defense of the Town—this eveng 15 or 20 of the Militia from Millsborogh came in and Dav^d Paynter, John Parker and afterwards Jno West were app a committe to procure provisions, houses &c for the men, and to keep an acc^t of their expences, and of building the batteries, the attend^s of the men &c

Captn^s Davis, and Rodney app^d to Superintend builg the Batteries &c—G. McCrachen, and John Ware to have charge of the Magazine—the Express to the Govr ret^d with 4 kegs of Powder and a letter to Coll Hall that he had ord the whole of Sussex Militia out, part of Kent & a Troop from N. C.

Thurs^y 18 An alarm last night by Sam Maulls firing his piece at Pilot Town—the Pilot Boat Tender came with a flag of Truce this day at 12—They were met by Cap Davis Cap. Rodney & Mitchel Derickson bore the Flag—on the beach Opps^t Pilot Town, 50 men under Arms escorted them to the Cape, where they remained—the flag rec^d an Officer and Letter from Adm^l Sir J. B. Beresford of the Poictiers 74 directed to the C. Magistrate of Lewes requested a supply of 25 Bullocks and a proportionate quantity of vegetables and hay—and if he refused he should adopt measures to Destroy the Town—in the afternoon Cap Davis, and Rodney met the flag again and gave for answer that we could not comply and that we had sent express to the Governor but had not rec^d an answer from him

Friday 19th Gen. Fisher, Coll Painter, Major Harris, Cullen, and Waples—with 11 Companies arrived—heard nothing from the fleet except that they took a ship & sloop—express to and from Govr Haslet ans^r that his family were unwell. Coll Hall went to Govr found him in Milford

Satur^y 20 Last night accts by Pilots from Philad^a that a land^g was made at Morris River, and a single house burnt some sheep &c taken—express Sent by the Genl with a pressg request for the Govr to attend this morng answer that he could not attend before Mon^y

A Ship and brig, also two Schooners Captured but supposed to be Licensed or Neutrals

Saty 20 This day employed in the Batteries &c
11 Companys came in say 500 men—alarm at night in consequence of one of the Tenders com^g to Creeks Mouth

Sunday 21st Friday, Saturday and Sunday 1000 of the Militia have arrived those three days viz. Coll Kershaws, Coll Longs Coll Paynters and Cap. Adams from Milford—10 Oclock were alarmed by 2 or 3 Rockets discharged we suppose from a boat near the bar, came over the Creek, one descended near the shore Ap^st Longs house, the other passed over the white house, and fell in my field or Batsons.
the Troops amtg to 1500 were formed &c

22nd Mon^y the Governor came down, the Militia formed to meet him, consistg of 1500 men viz. Coll Wilson 1 Battalion, Paynter, Longs and Kershaws Reg^t—a Troop of Sussex horse and Captn Harringtons Troop from Kent, escorted him, arrangements were made to discharge a part of the Troops—

Tu 23d The 3 Regim^ts and 2 Troops Horse were paraded and Reviewed by Govr Hazlet and 6 or 700 without arms dismissed. A letter was agreed on and sent with a flag by the Govr under the care of Cap. Davis, Majors Waples, and Cullen who ret^d at 10 Oclock with an answer from the Commodore Vindicatory of the measures he threatened, and persisting in the same—The Lights were this night discontinued by order of Secy Gallatin to A Hargess, dated the 18th
The Militia were all discharged except 330 or 40 Volunteers, including the inhabitants of Lewes—Warners N. C. Troop—& Shanklands Sussex Troop of Horse say 30 or 40

Wed 24 The Poictiers and Belvidere went to sea in the afternoon. Another ship seen off, and Schooner ran ashore near the Light House. Govr H. ret^d Home ys afternoon

Thur 25th A Spanish Schooner from Havanna with Coffee, Sugar Tobacco and Cocoa ran on near the Pitch last night. the cargo will be saved in good Order—Coll Paynter, Maj^s Cullen & Hill Gen Fisher, his aid Mr. Wells, & General Green remain here with the detachment.

Frid^y 26 Ships not ret^d from sea—nothing material occurred

Sat. 27 The Governor dismissed Cap Adam's Comp of Milford—G. Fisher, Mr Wells, Major Hill, Gen Green & M Cullen retd home. the Tender Paz took the Montesquieu Cap Wilson 28 men out—went round Cape Horn &c to Canton & retd by Cape G. Hope with a cargo of Tea & Silk say 3 or 400000$ heard nothing of War till taken 7 miles from the Cape

Sun 28th Cap Warners Troop dismissed by Gov. and Coll Paynters. Govr ret^d home last wy C Pay—this morning Coll Davis remains in comm^d—Captn Hunter of the Horse promoted to Major of Horse by the Govr

Span Ship with 2100 bls flour bound out—and also Paz in the Road —in the afternoon the Poictiers with the prize, Montesquieu came in and anchored belown the Brown—the Span Ship & Schooner Paz joined them there

Mon 29th A Boat from the Span Ship Jno Bapt came in shore with a note to comg officer signed by the Comr with the mate and son of Span Cap for his papers which had been given by the Comr of the Paz, to Cap Wilson—the papers were sent off—at 11 Oclock A. M a flag with Cap Wilson, Major Hunter, Doctr White, Hora Davis was sent to the Poictiers by Coll Davis at Cap Wilson's request, as tis said, to endeavor to Ransom the Montesquieu

Tues 30 Flag retd report that the Come will accept $180,000 as Ransom for the Montesquieu

Wed 31 Govr Genl Fisher, Green, Mr Wells &c came to Town yesterday Belve & Tender off the Cape this morng The squadron has a shingle loaded Schr supposed to be Marvel along side. Belvd returned

Thursdy Apl 1st Genl Green, Wells, Cullen, and Hill went Home this day. A Boat with a flag was sent by the Govr with Majr Hunter & Cap Harrington at the request of Mr Guire & the Supercargo of the Span Schooner to obtain permission to get her off the Beach and take the Cargo to Philada which request was granted—the Come informed the Officers on board he wanted water and must have it somewhere, also that he had a message prepared to send on shore, but should postpone it a few days.

Fridy Apl 2 Two alarms last night 1 abt 9 or 10 Oclock by a Trooper, young Loockerman, from seeing a flat in the Creek which he supposed was En. Boats appg. 2d 11 Oclock by one of the Guards Muskets having been accidentally discharged on the Cape

Saty Apl. 3d 1813 Schooner Paz went out & Pilot B came in has been we suppose to Chestr

Sun 4th Two Boats seen along shore last night by the Watch A flag sent off this morng by Captn Wilson respectg the Montesque Major Waples came in last evening

Mon. 5. Sugar Coffee &c the Cargo of Span Schoonr Ann Maria sold this day amtg to 15 or 18000$

Tues. 6th Apl The Poictier &c sent her boats in the forenoon and put buoys on the Shears, in the afternoon Belvedere 2 Sloops, Pilot Boat and several Ships Boats came down anchored close in to Lewes fired 2-32lb shot over the Town, and sent a flag renewing their Demand of the 16 ult.—it was agn refused

Cap Biron then sent a flag to request the womn & children to be removed, the cannonade then commenced and contind till 10—their shot pitched beyond the Town and did but little Damage—firing ceased untill day light—

Wedy 7th When it again began and contd 5 or 6 last night The firing of Bombs 12, 18, & 32 Shot and Rockets till 1 Oclock in which time 537 shot were sent agnt the Town 6 or 8 Bombs and 2 or 3 Congr Rockets—Genl Fisher ordered Major Harris' Battalion out, the Govr, Coll Paynter &c arrived in the eveng—

Thursy 8th The Ship and Tenders hauled off, a number of Houses were damaged by their Cannonade yesterday tho no lives were lost—the Houses that Suffered most were P. H—Geo. P—Jno Rys—E. T.—

Friday 9th Wrote to Mr Bayard Chairman of the Committee of Safety Wilmingn with an account of the Cannonade of Tu & Wedy —and requestng them to interest themselves in procuring from Come Murray, or Govt 6 heavy Cannon & 2 field pieces with a supply of Amn

Saty 10 Captn Dills Company of 51 men came in from Kent—Coll Davis at the Shffs request detached Cap Kolloch and 20 men to attend the Execution of Henry Brereton & —— Griffin on Tuesday next at Geo Town—for the murder of —— Ridgell of Carolina.

Sunday 11th A Gale at N. E.—above 300 Cannon Balls beside Bombs & Rockets were picked up in Town since the Cannonade, 40 or 50 of which were 32lb—

Monday 12 Flanaghan's boat came down with a flag brot Coll Sterret, aid to Genl Bloomfield, and informed he had brot 180000$ down to ransom the Montesq, also pilots and crews to take said Ship up to Philada

Tuesy 13th The Montesq went up the Bay—Brereton and Griffin were hanged this day at Geo. Town abt 12 Oclock a great concourse of People attended from this and the adjoining Counties.

Wednesy 14th one of the Sloops that had been employed in the cannonade of Lewes was seen drifting down the channel full of water & her mast gone except the Stump, a boat came down with her, and with the Tender Paz, was observed to anchor outside the Cape. Col Davis & Major Hunter ordered on the Cavalry and Captn Dills Company, to prevent their landing to destroy the Light House (at 9 Oclock) Cap Dills compy was marched up without cartridges, and were detained a ¼ or ½ an hour before Jno Saunders, who had the key, could be found—They saw no enemy and retd abt 12 Oclock. the wreck came ashore before they returned

15 Thursy Captn Harrington's Troop left Lewes on their return to Kent County

16 Friday Nothing of consequence occurred—from the best calculation there is 140 Houses within the bounds of Lewes, upwards of 20 of which will average abt $2000 each, 20 small $100 ea. 50 at 1000 & 50 at 500 amtg at this estimate to $117000 and containing 150 families & 1000 inhabitants also 3 places of Public Worship say 5000—total 122000

Saty 17th of Apl 1813 The Belvidere and a Brig came in this morning 9 Oclock and anchored with the Poictiers—Coll Painter and Coll Davis requested the Brigadier Gen to call out one Compy from ea of Coll Longs, Wilsons and Kershaws Regt to supply the place of three compys whose time has expired—Coll Painter also rode up to the Governor to prevail on him to adopt some expeditious plan to get the Guns and amn from Genl Bloomfield which Mr Boyd informed us had been promised if the Govr would find a conveyance for them in the Gun Boats or otherways

Sundy 18 The Govr and Coll Painter came to Lewes

Eastr Mon 19th The Paz and 5 Barges came down in chase of a Schooner that escaped to sea—abt 10 Oclock the Schooner Spencer, Capt Moss 40 days from France came into the Road, sent her Boat, was informed the ships were En and that 7 boats and the Tender Paz was comg down. She was advised to put to sea and endr to get to N York—made sail with a good Breeze at S. near High Water she soon distanced the Boats that were 4 or 5 miles to Leward and the Poictiers called them back.

Our Whale Boat with 8 Pilots left Lewes for Philada to Pilot the Gun Boats and assist in getting the 32 pounders from Philada which the Governor sent an order for on Gen Bloomfield

Tu. 20th The Term of one Month for which 3 Compys of the Troops volunteered having this day expired—many of them returned home—Major C. Comegys M Sykes, C. Onions and Captn Bell came down to obtain a flag to go to the Poictiers to treat for the ransom of a Sloop of Captn Bells taken on Friday in Duck Creek and a small boat of Capt Onions taken at the same time—They expect to go on board tomorrow

The Belvid has two sloops & came down and anchored opposite Town Cap Laws with 18 Horse & Cap Polk with abt 30 Greneds came in Town—likewise Capt Short from Dagsbury with 50 men

Wedy 21st Blowing hard at S. W. Major Comegys &c could not go off with the flag

Thurs 22d Another Sloop dismasted came drifting down from the Squadn will soon go on shore outside the Cape I suppose.

No Guard last night at fort till Miler &c volunteered

This day received a letter from Genl Gurney informg that Come Murray had put 4 Eighteen pounders on board a Schooner to be convoyed down by 5 Gun Boats to D Creek or Mpillon and thence by land to Lewes

Cap Dill bore the flag to Com B. today Majr Comegys Jas. Sykes & Jno Bell sitters. Cap Onions and Pilot Rowers None but Cap Dill admitted on board, did not succeed in ransoming her. Jas Stout was on board—went off with a private flag to ransom his Sloop

Fridy 23 A Compy of men from Kershaws regt came in last night —Belvid and Paz still out—Gun boats with 4 Guns at Duck Creek not determined how low they will come down—500 lbs Powder arrived this evening

2 negro men yesterday ran away from Coll Wood & Primrose to Poictiers it is supposed

Sat 24—Jacob Stout came into the bar in his sloop which he had ransomed—wanted provisions—was brot over and detained untill the Governor's opinion was taken whether he should proceed home or not on acct of his having been off to the Squadron with a private or unauthorized flag to ransom his Shallop—Thursday last a boat said to be under a flag went in to Little Creek to obtain provisions .

Mr Phillips, Masters Mate, or Lieutenant of the Poictiers and Capt Prior of the Pilgrim sd to be a prisoner on board were taken at Little C Landing, sent down to the Governor, and from thence to Lewes. They are at Mrs Orrs

Sunday 25 The Govr sent Lieut^{s} McClement & Loockerman to the Poictiers with a message respecting the prisoners—the Com^{e} replied that he consid^{d} the flag at the mast head of the Schooner Pilgrim protected the Boat that went into Little Creek, that Prior was paroled to get provisions for the prisoners on board but that he blamed the officer for taking arms with him.

The boat brot 40 Dolls for Mr Phillips and a trunk of Clothes—also some papers for Mr Stout

Mon^{y} 26 Cap Farbell who came from Dover arrived here on Sat^{y} with his wife and two children pretended he was of the Navy and formerly command^{d} the John Adams left Yesterday—he was suspected to be an Imposter and Swindler of the name of Twibell—Some Horse were sent after him and he was bro^{t} to Lewes this morning

The British Landed yesterd^{y} morng at Mispil^{n} killed 12 or 15 head of Cattle, and took them off—were at Coll Woods House—as supposed—

One of the 18th field pieces came in this eveng to the Battery 3 more are on the way from Smyrna with apparatus 25 sett of Harness 3600 W^{t} Cannon 600 lb of fine Powder and 600 shot with a quantity of Grape

The Sloop Black Duck belonging to J Stout was siezed yesterd^{y} by A Hargess on acct of 2 Boxes of Oranges and 4 or 5 of Salt which he says he found on board she was taken into B Kill and Mr Stout and his 2 men ret^{d} without her—Stout and his two men were taken in custody on their stepping on shore and had no opportunity of making an entry if necessary

Tues^{y} 27 Preparation was making to fire the 18^{lb} field piece at a hh^{d} at the request of the Govr I waited on him and suggested the impropriety of firing till the other three arrive and that the County would be alarmed &c. upon which he agreed to suspend it.

Coll Long rec^{d} orders from the Govr to call out 150 of the Detach^{d} Militia, and issue orders for Cap Burton, Cap Kollock and Cap Wrights Comp^{ys} to repair forthwith to Lewes—Govr Hunter-Leonard &c left Lewes also Cap Prior and Mr Twibell were taken along towards Philada, by Cap Harringtons Troop. Mr Phillips Masters Mate of the Poictiers will I hear remain under Coll Davis direction Cap Shorts Comp^{y} returned home except 8 men without orders

Wed^{y} 28 Doct^{r} Wiltbank took a challenge, it is said from S. Davis pilot to Jas McIlvaine who did not accept it but challenged the Doctr—who with his second atten^{d} at the time and place—McIlvaine did not appear

Mr Swartout with 2 boats a waggon and 3 or 4 men came down this eveng with his torpedos—how he will succeed I cannot say but I have no confidence in the scheme

Thurs^{y} 29th Met Mr Philips, the Officer of the Poictiers on parole, between Mrs Orrs and Wm Lanks, says he was born in Greenock, left school at 15 & went to sea—Com Beresford a year or two younger than Genl was born in Dublin

Captn Dill's Comp^{y} is preparing to leave Lewes tomorrow, after which there will not be 50 men in Town besides the inhabitants, till the arrival of Coll Longs detachment.

Belvidere returned to her Station at 1 Oclock

Frid^{y} 30th Ap^{l} Belvid & a Pilot Boat went to sea.

Cap Dill, Liet Alex Mc Clement, Ensign Thos Payne with their Comp^{y} of 50 men and a waggon after serv^{g} 31 days returned Home.

Coll Long rode to Milton to meet the Govr Genl Fisher &c—his orders to call out 150 men to Lewes was countermanded, but afterwards the Govr & Officers present agreed to take the responsibility on themselves provided Coll Long chose to call them out.

5 comp^{ys} of 100 men ea 2 of them artillery, were ordered by the Genl Govr through the Govr to repair to New Castle under the Com^{d} of Coll Long, and none having been ordered to Lewes the Governor &c sent an express to Genl Bloomfield representing the propriety and necessity of send^{g} some of the drafted Militia to Lewes, there being but abt 50 men there

Saturday May 1st 1813 The Paz came in, and a few, say 10 or 12 of Cap Wrights Comp^{y}

Sunday 2^{d} May. A ship came in last night which I suppose is a store ship from Bermuda or a Cartel from Phila to Jamaica, and a Shallop set adrift from the Poictiers friday came ashore tow^{ds} the Creeks mouth.

Monday 3^{d} This place has been left with about 40 or 50 men exclusive of the inhabitants since the departure of Cap Dill, till yesterday and today 20 or 30 of Reddins, Kollocks, and Wrights comp^{ys} of drafted men, came in, and more are hourly coming.

The Govr Genl Green, Coll Long, and Coll Wilson came in.

3 Comp^{s} of Local Militia have been ordered to Lewes till the drafted Militia have been called out by the Sec^{y} at War which is expected—Ships cartel to Jamaica as is supposed, sailed to sea yest^{y}, leav^{g} the Poictiers only at the Brown.

Tues^{y} 4th May Two ships, I suppose a frigate & Sloop of War came in this even^{g} and anchored by the Poictiers. Govr ret^{d} Home.

Wed 5th May. A flag from the Squadron in the Com^{e} Brig called "Death" came on shore to bring Major Peterkin who went off from

Milford with Mr Primrose to recover his negro that ran away with Coll Woods, the Com^{e} said he was authorized to give them up, but if Primroses boy was willing. The Officer that he expected to relieve him would let him go ashore. The boy objected to returning.

A flag has been down from Mr Barclay the consul at Phil^{a} to obtain permission for the Neptune to pass to Russia with an Ambassy but Sir Jno objected till his Officer Mr Phillips was ret^{d} to him—

The two ships that came in yesterday were the Spartan frigate, and Martin Sloop of War—

Thur May 6th The Spartan, and Martin went to sea. Captn Ingram, Cap. Jones, and a part of Lieut Hills Comp^{y} came in yesterday and Cap. Elliotts today.

Fri. May 7th The Spartan, & Martin at anchor this day to the South of the Cape—

Sat 8th Poict^{rs} alone in the Bay—on their last we hear the British burnt Geo. Town on Sasafras and last week they burnt French Town and took the Packets.

Sun^{y} 9th May This morn^{g} Lieut Lavert with a flag brot a Letter from Com B, inclosing a Let to him from Mr Walker agent for the exchange of prisoners in Philad^{a} of the 6th a letter from Genl Bloomfield to Com^{e} and a letter or List of exchange of Mr Shields Masters Mate of the Vicar for Mr. Phillips and also included 6 other officers and 12 or 15 men which Sir J^{no} had d^{d} and rec^{d} but as Coll Davis had not yet rec^{d} an order from Gen Bloomfield he answered that he would immediately send or deliver Mr Phillips upon rec^{t} of s^{d} order

Mon^{y} 10th May The Poictiers went to sea yesterday, the 3 ships lay outside the Cape last night 150 men and a field piece was sent down to prevent their taking water out of Newbolds pond but they did not land and were out of sight this morning—Capt Jno Kollock and Cap J^{no} Booths companies of Detached Militia came in last even^{g} one of 70 men the last of 50 which are to me made up 100 each—The Govr came yesterday he told me he rec^{d} acc^{t} of the exchange of Mr Phillips on friday. Sat^{y} he could not send down orders to deliver him and Sun he did not get to Lewes till the even^{g} Gen Green and Major Peterkin also came—the Torpedo boats were moved from the Church Yard, and our Whale boats went off to take up the Buoy of the Brown &c—no ship or Tender in sight—

Mr Greenfield it is said took Mr Phillips to Geo Town.—each were Disguised or changed clothes

Tu 11th May A flag with Mr Phillips set off & put him on Board the Spartan Capt Brenton, the Ship Neptune, with Mr Bayard, Galatin our Ambass^{rs} went out this day bound to St Petersb^{g} to endeavor to negotiate a peace with En—

Ing^{rm}, Jones, Warrington and Elliotts Comp^{ys} of Militia were discharged today—

Govr went home yesterday after ordering a Court Martial to try Cap Jones & Cap Ingram.—the flag returned and brot from the Spartan

Captn Denton a prisoner, on parole and S. Flanagan a Pilot that came down in the Neptune Mr Phillips was left on board.

Wed^y the 12th The force here now consists of Cap Kollocks & Booth's Comp^s of Detached Militia abt 150 men, Cap Polk's say 40 or 50 Cap Greshams & Hollands say 100 and Cap Laws Troop say 20—

The Comiss^rs vizt An Barratt—Ja^s. Black and Edwd Dingle Esq^rs app^d by the Legislature to adjust the accts for Services and expenses at Lewes, were to have met this day Mr. Barratt only attended—

A Court of enquiry sat yesterday on Cap Wm Jones and today on Cap Anthony Ingram by order of the Govr

A ship came in to the Squadron this eveng and anchored said to be the—— Cap Davis left Lewes—— Cap Loughton a native of Rho Island who was taken out of a Spanish Vessel which was taken and sent by the Spartan to Bermuda, came on shore yesterday, he was a week or two on board and says the Spartan has a scant complement of men—

Genl Green at the request of the Govr ordered the arrest of Mr —— Greenfield who belonged to Captn Harringtons Troop—for taking Eng Officer from Lewes to George Town on Monday last—

Thur^s 13th May The Gover^r wrote last evening to Gen Green that he had rec^d orders to call out the residue of the Detached Militia which orders he should bring to Lewes with him tomorrow—the 1st Batt^n not yet made up Quere. Whether the Court Ordered by the Govr to consist of Coll Paynter the Com^r of this Port and 4 Capt^ns to try Cap Jones on Tu. and a Court of inquiry to try Cap Ingram yesterday is legal or Correct—Also whether Mr Greenfield not being on service can be tried by Martial Law—especially without 10 days notice.

Frid^y 14th 1813 Coll Long ret^d yester^y from it. Castle informs that the Company^s of Cap Bennett and Cap Gibbs amt^g together to 100 men were inspected by Genl Duane—that he did not expect the Troops at Lewes would be inspected or taken into Pay untill the complement of 200 were made up—

Messrs Barratt and Dingle ret^d home yesterday in consequence of Mr Black non attendance

Sat^y May 15th 1813 This morning a Swedish or Danish Schooner from Carthegena S. Am with Hides and Fustick parted her Cables near the Spartan, and came on shore oppos^t Lewes, had a british crew on board which was taken out by the Frigate when she parted—The above Schooner is call^d the Adolpus Capt Richard Beal from Carthagena Bd to N. York—this even^g Genl Green brot a Letter from Post Office addressed to Coll Davis from Gen Armstrong which came by mail Thurs^y

Sund^y 16th Govr and Major Peterkin came down with Orders from Sec^y of War to call out in case of emergency another Battalion of Detach^d Militia

Mond^{y} 17th This day the Troops here have been in great disorder occasioned by the Conduct of the Recruits. A flag was sent off to obtain permission of Cap Brenton to ship 6 or 7 hands on board the Span. Sch. Anna Maria to assist in taking her to Philad. the sailors having refused to go in her because the Cap threat^{d} to put them on board the En. Man of War—The Govr left Town this even^{g} after having issued Orders for the residue of the Militia detached to repair to New Castle & Lewes The first requisition is not yet made up, reported, or received by the U. States tho orders were rec^{d} by the Governor 1st of this month

Tues^{y} 18th Commiss^{rs} Doct^{r} Dingle and Mr Barratt met agreeably to their appt—Ja^{s}. R. Black came Wed 19th Two frigates are now off the Cape and 1 Sloop of War The Anna Maria sailed this day for Phil^{a} and a Whale Boat with Purnel &c and a Canoe with three men that left their Brig from La Guira to Baltim^{e} in East River Chesapeak —Coll Long arrived here yesterday

Wed 19th The two frigates and 1 Sloop hove up and stood to sea, the wind blowing hard to the N. E.

Coll Long came in yesterday and will sett off in the morning for N. C. to report the 350 men app^{t} Staff Officers &c as he supposes—

Govr came down this day to meet the Comiss^{rs} &c

A Recruiting Lieutenant who has behaved unruly and made several attacks on the Officers and men of the Garr^{n} was bound to the Peace by Wm Wolfe Esq and for want of surety went to Gaol last night—he was an Ensign called Smith son of Geo. Smith Vendue Cryer Phila

Thurs 20 No Ships in sight—Govr here—and Commiss^{rs} sitting—a part of Cap Burtons comp^{y} came in yesterday

Friday 22nd Govr ret^{d} home—no ships in sight. Commiss^{rs} sitting

Sat 22^{d} Govr came down—do————do——

Comss^{rs} adj^{d} to meet on Mon^{y} next at Dover—all the Militia were discharged except 12 or 15 for the fort and ab^{t} that number of Cap Shankl^{ds} Troop were ordered out by the Govr two or three days ago—

Sun^{y} 23^{d} The Spartan came in, has been out since Tues^{y} last—also the Martin or another Ship.

Mon 24 Nothing Material except that a number of the 2nd Requies^{n} came in.

Tu 25th The two frigates only in the bay (yestr^{y} Mr Hudson p^{d} m^{e} 30/ for flat to that time, she is below with wood for Johnson & Harris, an oar broke, and Rails lost)

Wed 26th One of the Ships exercising her men by firing at a target today 10 Oclock—about 400 men in Town in Koll^{ks} Booths, Burtons, and Reddins Comp^{s} Shankland ab^{t} 10 or 12 Troopers, and 33 men kept by the Govr at fort

This day I paid Geo. Robinson twenty dolls for a Keg of Powder which I got of him the 17th of March last for Public use and which is allowed the Commiss^{rs} in my bill—

Thur 27th The Whale boat retd from Phila with the Crew that went up in Span Schooner and the other Boat with Richd Bebe &c retd from Smyrna—

Fri 28 Another frigate came in—the force now is supposed to be the Spartan, and Statira frigates & Martin Sloop—and also one ship off—

Sat 29th One of the ships supposed to be the Martin has gone up the Bay out of sight—

Sundy 30th Coll Long came down last evens—saw Gen Bloomfield at Dover who I hear told him he had no command for him there being but 300 men at N. Castle and 300 at Lewes which should be comd by Majors—

Major Comegys retd home this morning—is to come to Lewes again this day week—and Coll Long to remain in his stead—Coll Davis arrived here yesterday who is to raise *it is said* 300 twelve Mo. men —to be kept here

Mony 31st Gresham, Lentner, &c who expect Comssrs from the U. States, are endeavg to enlist men and have made great uneasiness among the detachd Militia

The Martin Sloop that went up the bay with a Tender Saty last retd with two Brigs, a schooner & 4 or 5 Shallops

Tu June 1st This morng the Spartan & Statira sent some of their Barges to the Pitch, set a Sloop on fire which they had taken, and one of the frigates got under weigh stood to sea, and retd again with a Brig

Cap Harrington who came down this day to see the Govr informs that the Martin was up at Reedy Isld on Sunday and took 4 Shallops from Thorofare & 3 from Cohansey

Wed 2d June The Martin went out to sea this eveng

Thurs 3 June Coll Long retd home his right to command was disputed by Coll Davis—

Fri June 4th Coll Davis has inlisted abt 40 recruits since Mony—were furnished with Clothes & blankets this day—Cap Reddins Compy were marched to Ced Creek on Wedy for the defence of the shore—

Saty 5th Coll Davis required Cap Burton to give up the Comd to him—as Gen Bloomfield in a letter recognized him as Commandt—Cap Burton refusd till he had orders from Govr

Sun 6 Cap Burton sent Jno Milby to Govr. with a letter—not findg him at home retd it, Major Comegys arrived—refused to give up the Comd to Coll Davis, and wrote to Secretary Hall for his opinion

Mony 7th Two frigates, Martin Sloop 6 Brigs 1 Schooner Tender & 1 shallop at anchor—Coll Davis went to Spartan with a flag to get a man released. Cap Brenton promised not to take him away and treated them politely

Tu 8th A ship came in last night—Coll Long arrvd Wed The Paz (we supose) came in, Span Ship went up agn.

Thurs The Spartan moved up to the Brown yesterdy—and Major Comegys ret^{d} to attend the review Friday

Fri 11 Great dissatisfaction respectg the Command—Coll Davis ordered a man out of the Guard house that had been put in for disorderly conduct, fighting &c by Cap Kollock—he was given up after some threats, tho Coll Long had not heard them *it is said* Coll Davis demanded of the Capts the countersign and ordered a Guard of his men. Cap Burton did the same but no serious disturbance took place in the night tho it was expected by some—

Sat^{y} 12 Major Steng (or Stessy) came last eveng to inspect the Troops today—The Plough Boy A shallop taken from M River by the British was sent by them with a flag and 25 prisoners this morning for 18 of which a rect was given as Amer^{n} Prisoners—and some provision sent off for officers & men in the Sloop

The Govr and Major Comegys came to Lewes—Captn Kollocks Comp^{y} of 100 was inspected by Major Stessy (or Steng) and Cap Burtons of abt 60 Cap Reddins to be inspected at Cedar Creek of 100 men—

Sun 13. Mon^{y} 14. Tu 15th. & Wed^{y} 16th one of Cap Kollocks Comp^{y} Len^{d} Curwen of L Creek died in the Hospital yest^{y} & Len^{d} McIlwaine fifer died ab^{t} a month ago

Thur^{y} 17—Holland died in the Hospital today. A firing of cannon yesterday above the Brown, the Spartan hove up and ran to the Brown, some supposed the Gun Boats were firing

Fri 18th June The Martin came in yesterd^{y}

Coll Davis received Genl Bloomfields orders to take the Com^{d} of the recruits and Detached Militia for the defense of Lewis and the Shores of Kent dated 14th signed by Lt Duane

Sat 19th The Spartan frigate and 8 or 9 Brigs and Schooners stood out this morn^{g}

Coll Davis who has abt 60 recruits here and 20 in Kent rec^{d} orders yesterday from Genl Bloomf^{d} dated the 14th to take the com^{d} at Lewes and of the shores of Kent and of Detached Militia of Delaware

Major Comegys will submit to his taking com^{d} of the Garrison &c at least till he has rec^{d} answer from Gen B. to a statem^{t} he made to him relative to the Subject This day two men vizt Levin Vaughn of the Militia and————Kelley a recruit died in the Hospital

Sund^{y} 20—Mon^{y} 21^{s} Jno Layton of the Militia died at his Barracks —The Statira frigate and 1 brig is all the force that has been in the Bay since Sat^{y}

Mon 21 Tue 22^{d} & Wed 23^{d} Nothing Material except Contention between Coll Davis and Officers of Miltia—The Court Martial organized by order of the Govr Gen Green & Coll Long ordered by Coll Davis to separate, after some contention, drew his sword on Cap Shankland—centinels presented Bayonets at him Same afternoon 22nd he refused to give orders for rations and Comiss^{y} Painter told Major Comegys, he would not issue unless he or Cap Burton would be

responsible, but next morn^{g} agreed at length to Major C. orders Coll Davis wanted to know by what authority
The Statira only in the road

Thur 24th friday 25 This afternoon 8 Gun Boats 2 Prawns 1 P boat came down, the frigate got under W and hauled the boats to the E.

Sat^{y} 26 This day a Merchant Ship and another sup^{d} to be the Martin came in
Major Comegys rec^{d} Gen Orders from Gen Bloomfield dated 21st to take command of Reddins Comp^{y} at the Cedars, and Greens at Little Creek—Coll Davis to have the Command of the recruits and Militia at Lewes, and Cap^{n} Bennet his company at New Castle, Major Potter will command in Jersey, and Coll Rush the Militia in Pennsylvania—

Sun. Mon—Tues^{y}—Wed^{y} 30th June The Torpedos at Broadkiln obtained a crew and were to make an attempt yesterd^{y} eveng to destroy the frigate Statira, but gave it up or postponed it—

July 1st 2^{d} 3^{d} 4th Sunday the Statira only in the Bay, a flag with F. Marriner went off friday to take up the Brig Fanny owned by Jno Coulter. Com^{e} Stackpole informed them he had one man wounded in the wrist, the day before in taking a shallop from Mispillion sd to be Jno Mitchels which they burnt—Coll Davis now in com^{d} Cap Kollock next—

Mon^{y} July 5th A Company of 14 or 15 dined at Kollocks
51 Cannon were discharged in the course of the day & 100 lbs of Powder burnt to celebrate the 4th July—at night abt 11 Oclock an alarm in consequence of a Pilot boat from Phila stand^{g} close in which was fired on by the Guard on the Beach

Tues 6th to Tues 13th This week the Statira and Spartan only in the bay, the Gun boats were at Cedar Creek yester^{y}—and 21 recruits were brot here from Dover by Lt Mash^{l} Clark 5 or 6 days ago

Wed^{y} 14th This day the 9 Gun Boats that were at C Creek yesterd^{y} came down to the Lower end of Boyds Shoal the frigate and the Sloop of War weighed and ran into the Westward of the Brown. abt 3 Oclock the Boats when 5 or 6 mile from the Ships fired 3 or 4 Rounds apiece the Bore away with the flood tide and a fresh Southerly wind up the Bay

Frid^{y} 16th The Statira, Martin and a Merchant Ship hove up and stood to sea, a Pilot boat Tender that came in two days ago, we suppose from Chesapeak, went out with them. Nothing now remaining in the Bay

Fri 23rd Statira and Martin that came in the first of the week went again to sea—abt the same time a Major Charles C. Hunter came from Phila who is one of Gen Bloomfield's Aids and on Tues^{y} 27th he and Coll Davis by Gen^{ls} order as tis said discharged all the detached Militia at this Station, after they had been inspected—The Pilots Comp^{y} and recruits were retained in service

Wed^{y} & Thurs^{y} 28 & 29 Cap Kollock Comp^{y} and a part of Cap Burtons under Lieut Hazzard left Town for their respective Homes 2 or 3 of them enlisted There are abt 100 recruits and 50 of the Pilots Comp^{y} here—

Thurs^{y} 10 oclock the Martin Sloop got under Weigh hove to the Eastrd and ran on Crows Shoal the Gun Boats came down but could or did not fetch her, the Ebb tide sweep^{g} them down—The frigate Junon is stand^{g} in to defend the Martin, one of the Gun Boats after drifting towards Cape May was separated some distance from the others and approached the Pilot Boat Tender, when the frigate sent 7 or 9 boats, boarded and carried her—

Sun Aug 1st Another frigate supposed to be the Belvidere came in—Mon^{y} the Martin went to sea after the frigate had been employed send^{g} ballast on board to supply the place of that she had thrown over when ashore on Crows Shoal Thurs^{y} last

Wed^{y} 4th The Belvidere stripd the Gun boat and fired 50 or 60 shot at, and Sunk her—

Thur^{s} 5th 1813 Junon Cap Saunders, and Belvidere went to sea Nothing within the Capes now—

Friday eveng 6th Aug 1813 Abraham Hargess the Keeper of the Light House died, was buried on Sat^{y} 7th

Monday 9th Put 41¼ bu Corn on board the Delaware, Recd of G. Hickman $16.50 for the above at 40 cents pr bu—

Mon^{y} 16th The ships are yet at sea. Jos Hall and his wife both dyed at the Acad^{y} last week and Geo Walker died last night at same place—Of the 100 recruits 30 or 40 are said to be on the sick list at this time—

Fri^{y} 20th rec^{d} 30/—of Wm Bailey for 2 loads of flat

Thurs^{y} 26 Augt Coll Fotteral arrived here last eveng with Coll^{s} Davis and Hall the last having been to Dover as a Conferree where 10 from each County, 2 from Sussex excepted, met Tu last the 24th and fixed on James Riddle of New Castle as the Dem^{tc} Candidate. it is said the Recruits ab^{t} 100 will be ordered to Wilming^{tn}. No Ships are in sight for several days they have not been on the Bay since the 5th—

Mon 30th Augt the Troops say 100 under Coll Davis & Cap Clark &c embarked on board Cap Milby and Marshalls Schooner for Wilm^{n} they were p^{d} 4$ a pe^{s}

Thur 23^{d} Sepr 1813 Cap Phillips the Paymaster of this District accomp^{d} by Cap Bennet came to Town yester^{y} tis s^{d} he p^{d} Green & Reddens Comp^{y} on his way down and discharged Reddens they left Lewes this morng

The 12 Mo Men that have been at Wilming^{n} and Chester since the 1st of this Month are said to be order^{d} to the Lazaretto on their way to New York or Albany

Sat^{y} 25 Sep Cap Greens Comp^{y} of 80 men came in this day from Little Creek

The 12 Mo men are now encamped at Darby

Friday 24 of Septem^{br} the Paymaster Cap Phillips and Cap now Major Bennett came down, returned next day and left the money with Major Comegys to pay the Militia 2 months pay up to 31st of July for the Pilots Company—which was p^{d} by Major Com Sat^{y} the 9th Octr

The Election took place Octr 5 when I was elected over Mr Riddle by a majority of 1114 votes in Sussex 665 in Kent and 875 in the State

Cap^{tn} Greens Comp^{y} were discharged and retd home to Kent Oct 30th 1813. The Pilots Corps of abt 50 men were retained in service by Genl Duanes Orders—

Cornel^{s} Wiltbank Esqr died on Tuesday the 9th of Novr 1813 was buried the 10th

Nov 25 1813 Thurs This morng 9 Oclock an En arriv^{d} Brig came in anchored in the Road and unbent her topsails, perhaps to bend new ones—at 11 Oclock sent a boat with U. S. Colours in the Bow, and En Col^{s} in the Stern, with the Cap of a New York Sloop & a Super Cargo and a letter to the Com^{r} of U. S. Troops at Lewes from Cap Geo. E. Watts of the Brig Jassure informg that the Amb came to get permission to Ransom the Sloop & Cargo—and they to land some prisoners and enquire the fate of a Schooner they took and manned but did not know what had become of her. Doc^{r} White, John Parker, Isaac Fisher and John Dean went over and met Lieutenant West with a flag, an answer was prepared by Coll Hall and Lieut Miles and sent over, in the mean time, the two Amer^{s} came to Lewes and Richd Howard, Jas Nicholson, Anthony Thompson, Harry McCracken, and Jo^{s} West with his gun, went over without permission

Howard tis said insulted the Officer and shook his fist in his face Thompson and Howard encouraged the men tis reported, to run away 3 of them escaped from the Officer, two crossed the Creek & went down in my field ¼ mile away from the Bank when Jacob Lentner and some (Wm Russell I believe) went to them and Lentner sent Guides with them to his house where the other man who came of the Cape joined them in the evening—Lieut West who had been near an hour alone, except one man in the boat, was at length joined by Messrs Fisher and Parker, and the Amer Cap appeared much agitated complained bitterly of the disrespect to his flag and the law of Nations, that he had been insulted by Howard, and his men encouraged to desert, said he would not return without his men. However after it was dark he and one Amer^{n} and one Sailor put of in his boat—When the boat was com^{g} ashore in the morning a number of persons wanted to fire an 18 Pounder at her, Doct^{r} White and Coll Hall said to be of the number, from the persuasion of Cap Hunt and others it was at length prevented

Fri 26th Novr the Jassure sent her boat and landed the Cap of the N. York Sloop to negotiate for her ransom, in the afternoon Doct^{r} White, J Parker, and David Paynter went off with a boats crew to settle the ransom Geo Hickman was to assist them the flag retd the

Sloop being at sea, left the Cap & Jno Saunders on board to take possn when she came in

Early this morng we started a Whale boat to meet the Shallop She met the Sussex below cedar C and came down with her & got in the Creek at 1 or 2 Oclock, the two Tenders started to cut her of from the creeks mouth but gave up the Chase

Saty 27 The New York Sloop not yet in sight—Messrs White & Hickman who each advanced $500 and Jno Parker 300 to Cap—being uneasy sent off again, was informed by Cap Watts that the Sloop came in sight of the Jassure—Cap paid him the money, and his pasport being given, he with Jno Saunders prepared to take possessn but waiting for her to come nearer. She at length disappeared and he supposed the Amern Mate had persuaded the 3 Marines on board to assist in bringing her in to some of our ports, if however she should be found by any of our Squadron he would send her in, but would not refund the ransom money—Cap Watts also sent his Master and 5 men last night to capture 2 of our Shallops that hove in sight below Mispillion in the evening

Sundy 28 The Jassure hove up and went to sea this morning with the Sloop belonging to the Eastward with Onions, Potats—Apples—Cider &c after taking out part of said cargo and sendg 10 prisoners and neutrals ashore last eveng we hear this morning from Milford that the Sailg Master 5 men and the Boat arrived there yesterday The Jason has lost altogether 13 of her men since she came in.

Jany 1st 1814 Paid Jehu Stockley $5 to send to the Editor of the New York Herald being one years pay in advance, Wm Wolf Esqr is to take the paper with me and pay half the expense

Mr Ashbel Strong takes half the Freemans Journal from Octr last

Jany 17. 1814 I arrived in Dover and the 18th met the Senate and House of Representatives and took the Oath prescribed by the Constitution and Laws of Delaware, admind by the Chancelor, after which delvd the Speech to a large Assembly

Mar 24 Jan Signed One hundred Marriage Licenses and sent them by Mr Brown to the Secretary

Wedy 26th Wrote to Genl Armstrong the following Letter and delivd it on the 27th to Secretary Peter Robinson for the purpose of enterng it on the State Register, after which he was to seal and mail it, Vizt

Sir

I have taken the earliest opportunity since the duties of Govr of the State of Delaware devolved upon me, to represent to you the Exposed and defenseless State of our Coast, every point of which, from the Ocean to New Castle inculdg above 100 Miles of sea, bay & river shore, is assailable by the Maritime forces of the enemy, by which the last season from the 14 March till the 28th Novr we were very much harassd. I do therefore Sir, earnestly request, you will make our situation known to the President of the U. States, and that

he may authorize me to call in to service for the next six months, one Battalion of Infantry with a small proportion of Artillery and Cavalry, or such amt and description of force as you may deem proper, and the President may think he can grant for our protection and security, having respect at the same time, to the more preparing demands on the resources of the Genl Governmt from other parts of the Union—

If Sir this applicaⁿ should be favourably recd, our Fellow Citizens would be much gratified to know that some measures would be speedily adopted for their Securᵧ I would further suggest for the Consⁿ of the Prestᵗ the propriety of employing a part of the Flotilla in the Del. to protect our trade with Philadᵃ from the numerous Creeks, or small Rivers, which empty in to the Bay and River, Between Reedy Island and Lewes. The Gun B. and Gallies, are peculiarly fitted for that service in the Shallop, or Western Channel, extending 40 miles above Lewes Creek, no vessel of force, or drawing more than 6 feet water, can approach them, and their small tenders or Barges would not risk an attack upon our Boats that are well manned—

With the assurance that all the assisst in my Power, will be given, to insure success to our Military and Naval operations on the Coast, I have the Honor to be &c & Hon Jno Armstrong Esqʳ Sat 10

Jan 27th Signed Commissⁿˢ for R. Shankland Surveyor vice Levin Collins Jehu Stockley Recorder of Deeds vice Wm Bell Saml Jacob Justice of the Peace, Laurel, reappd Jno. W. Boyes Recorder for Kent

28th On applicatⁿ of Geo Read President of the New port Bridge Compᵧ appd James Brindley, Hugh Gemmil, and Wm Armor freeholders to view sd. Bridge

Feb 1st 1814 Yesterdᵧ Danl Neal brot me a Gig for which I am to give him 300. or 315$ He took my Sulkey home for which he is to allowed me 50S or as much more as he can get for it—no harness with—but it has a good Apron box or drawer, Cushion & Breach B —wants new Curtains—

Febᵧ 4th Recd this day a Letter from Wm Blount Esqʳ Govʳ of Tenesee enclosing a Resolution of the Genl Assembly proposing an amendᵗ in the Constituⁿ of U. S. relative to the term of Service of Senators to be laid before the Legislature.

Monday the 7th of Febᵧ 1814 A. Brig from P. au Prince came in this evengˢ, and 2 Schooners from the W. Indies within a week past—and 1 ship from Gottenburg last Friday Also Commssⁿ for Edwd Roche to be Justice of the Peace.

Recd the 11th a letter from Benjⁿ Blackiston advising me that he had resigned his Comissⁿ—and recomendˢ Henry Stephenson as his Successʳ

Febᵧ 13 Approved the Securities in the Bonds given by Coll Paynter as State Treasurer, and as Trustee of the Loan Office

Feb 15th 1814 Tu. set off for Dover Mr R. with me arrived at the Chancelors that eveng—Wedᵧ the Legislature adjourned passed a

resolution requestg me to remove Isaac Davis of the S. P. Court and John Way of the Commn Pleas, from the Office of Judge they were appointed (the evens before I was qualified as Governor) by Governor Haslet, as the fourth Judge in each Court. Isaac Davis Esqr sent me a memorial agst his removal from Office—

Thursy Appd John Many Military Commissy for Kent County—and Satury the 19th after my return Home, appd Kendle Batson Military Commissy for Sussex—and Jas. R. Black for New Castle

Feb. 19th Two Frigates and one 74 as supposed came in near the Cape

20th 4 Ships seen off
Wrote to Genl Duane requestg military aid for the Protection of the Sea Board—and mailed it 22nd

Tuesy 22nd Recd from Gen Armstrong a Letter dated 8th that if the Regiments fill regulars will be sent for the Protection of our Shores—
Signd Commissns for Frans K. Boyes 2nd Lt and Micajah Greenfield Cornet of Cap Harringtons Troop

Lewes Feby 24th 1814 wrote a Letter to Come Muncy requestg him to send a part of the flotilla to protect the Shallops &c in the Western Channel

March the 6th Recd a Letter from the Secty of War informg me the President had referd him—my Letter of the 22nd inclosing a Resolution of the Lege respectg the Pea Patch—that orders had been issd to the head of the Engineer Corps, Coll Swift to view the site and report to the President who thereat decide and inform me—
Also recd a Letter from Come A. Murray of Mar 2d relative to the disposition of the flotilla—in Delaware On Wedy last being the 2nd Isaac Davis Esq presented a further Meml agt his being removed as J of the S. P. C. and told me he thot J. Way Esq would also send me.
sent by him a Letter with Resolutns enclosed to each C. J. Johns & Booth—
This afternoon Sun 6th a Frigate chased a Schooner in sent 3 barges which the Sr fired on kept them off and got in and went up the Bay

Mar. 8th George Town Apd Clemt Morris, Cap Geo H. Atkins Lieut and Jeremih Nicols ensign of the Compy of Grens 7th Regt Peter Wright Captain of a Troop of horse 3d Bridds Doctr Dingle Commissr of the Land Office

Mar 11th Signed a Comn for Tresley Atlee as Clerk of the Supreme Court Kent County instead of Wm K. Lockwood resigned Recd a Letter from A Genl Duane in ans to one of mine and immediately wrote to Genl Green requestg him to furnish Coll Cromwell Pearse Comr of the 4th Military district with the return of the Militia required by Gen Duanes letter

Mar 12 Wrote to Com^e Murray suggest^g the propriety of station^g on Divis^n of the Flotilla at Lewes or Mispln and another at Den^s C. and C. May instead of New Castle and coming down occasionally &c
Also to A. G. Duane reques^g one Comp^y of Ast for Infantry to be called at Lewes, and one to Wilmington and N. Castle To John Stockley to discont^e the extra Sunday Mail until there appears to be more dange from the 13

Wed 16th rec^d a Letter from A. G. Green inclosing returns of State property from K B. D P—I Ware I Holl^d and Doct^r White also returns from the 1^s and 2nd Brig^d
from Wm Kennedy Smyrna proposing to resign his Comn^n of Major of Horse
from Thos Cooper Esq request^g a copy of my letter to Jno Armstrong Esq &c
A ship seen off on Tues^y—

Wed^y 16th the Privateer Schoon^r Sylph came down and thumped away her rudder on the Shears a boat with 8 men went on board, and put Jno McM in her, did not return till 4 Oclock in the morng 3 Cannon were fired for her and a light hoisted
She has ret^d to get a new rudder

Fri 18th 4 bls and 12 kegs say 700 w^t of Powder belon^g to the State moved to Geo Town by K. B. Esqr

Sun^y the 20 The accts of expenditur^s of the State last year I rec^d this day from the Auditor of Accts amt^g to $30,619.79 cents and transmitted the same to the Secretary of War—request^g the Genl Government to provide for reimbursing the same—also requested Secretary Robinson to write to our represen^t to support the claim

22nd March recd of Cap Milby 37$ towards pay^g for ⅙ of Schooner Sussex, about 30$ yet due
Yesterday drew orders on the State Treasurer in favor of J. R. Black John Many and Kendle Batson Esq^rs for $100 each pursuant to the act of Feb 1813—for taking care the arms &c

23d An answer from Com^e Murray that he was so circumscribe as to force, and men that he could not establish permanent Station^s below
Rec^d Adg Genl Greens resignation, and a Letter in which he reports to me he could not comply with my Order of the 11th to furnish the Commander of the District with return of the Militia &c under 4 or 6 Months &c

24 d^d Coll Paynter the orders for Messrs Black and Many. Govr Haslet has drawn $107 which is to be de^d from the 300$ the residue div^d between the Comiss^rs

Tu Mar 29th On Sat^y last a 74 and Frigate stood in, were in sight all day—yesterday a Frigate chased a Schooner in
Yest^y rec^d Mr Batsons bond, with Shff Burton security as Military Cmmiss^y for Sussex

30 rec^{d} from Govr Snyder a resolution of the Legis^{e} of Pena for reducing the Term of Senators of U. States

Apl 2^{d} A Brig seen in the offing—came in was a prize to the Priv^{r} Wasp from Malaga, with Wine and Raisins

Sent a Commiss^{n} to the Secretary to be filled up for Jno Mitchel Esqr Adj^{t} Genl vice Jesse Green Esqr resigned

April 4th Re^{d} a Letter yestr^{y} from Cap Wright—and sent Commiss^{ngs} this day by Gen Fisher for M Derick^{n} 1^{s} Lt. Jno S 2nd Rev Morris Cornet Dav^{d} Haz^{d} Cap of Gr Comp^{y} and Jno Fisher and Thos. Clem^{e} in Cap Paines Comp^{y} Camden

Apl 13 Wrote to A. Gen John Mitchell yesterday and rec^{d} an answer from Geo Town he proposes to be at Geo Town

Thurs 21st App^{d} and sent Commiss^{ns} to Alex^{r} McClyments vice Cap Dill —— Hutchinson Lieut and —— Dawson Ensign

April 14th 1814 Ja^{s} R. Black declined accepting his commiss^{n} of Military Commiss^{y}

Commiss^{d} Evan Thomas Esqr Register for N. Castle—do Henry Benson Ensign Cap Hazz^{ts} Comp^{y} Grenadiers—do Robt Hill Coll 7th Regem^{t} vice Jno Wilson resigned

Pd Peter Robinson Esqr 30$ by way of Ln for Mr Bradford

22^{d} Rec^{d} a letter with Com^{n} of Benedic Anderson 5th Comp 5th Regiment

26 A Schooner with two Topsails came in this morng and a Ship this afternoon viz the Wasp of Phil^{a}

The first day of this month there was due me for transporting Oil &c from Phila to the Light H—one years payment vizt $60 of which Gen Macpherson paid me 2 quarters or $30 up to 1st of October the residue is still due agreeably to Contract in the Office of Superintendent of the Delaware bay L. House Buoys &c &c

29th Yesterd^{y} app^{d} Doct^{r} Dill Adjt Genl after the resignation of Major Mitchell—also app^{d} Coll Hill Major Riley and 10 or 12 other Militia officers

Rec^{d} a quarters salary of Coll Paynter and pd him 250 for Saml & Danl Neal—and got their rect since from Coll Paynter.

This morng a Schooner from Jamison Bound to Bermudas a prize to the Schooner Com Perry Cap Jno Coleman ran on the Beach opposite Lewes She ran on the Brandywine last night from whence she got off and came down She is loaded with rum fruit &c &c Cargo of Schooner Huntsman Thos. Cobb Master Thirty hd^{s}. rum (2 taken on b^{d} Priv^{tr} & 3 Store) 30 Tins Cocoa &c &c

May 5th Sent out appts for Cap. Lt. and Ensign 1st Regt & Ensign in Hoods Comp^{y} &c Also sent the 2nd May Com^{s} for Major Reed or Kollock—Ensign Young—Jas. Deputy Cap—Davis Lieut

Saty 14th 1814 Cap Milby saild for Wilmington with pt of the Cargo of the Prize Sch^{r} Huntsman Ship^{d} by the Marshall who will leave Lewes tomorrow

In Conseq^{e} of an Alarm from the appear^{e} of a Frigate supposed to be the Belvid^{e} off the Cape and a Smack Tender coming in to the Bay full of man I directed Cap Rodney to furnish 12 or 15 men for a guard on the Cape—in aid of Cap Holl^{ds} Comp^{y}—for one night

Mon^{y} 16th Ordered Cap Rodney, Lieut Johnson and 30 men if they could raise so many into service to assist in Defend^{g} Lewes &c —The Frigate Nieman and Tender having come in 3 days successively I requested Cap Holl^{d} &c to move the Magaz^{e} & Powder which was done this day.

Tues^{y} 17th 1814 A Fishing Smack loaded with Salt bound to Chingoteague for corn, from Cape Cod was taken by the Nieman Frigate and sent in with the Crews of 3 Schooners 2 which they manned for Bermuda two Eighteen Pounders were fired at her from the Batt^{y} to bring her too 1st fell a little short of her the 2nd passed between her masts and fell ¼ or ½ a mile beyond her. She was at last in Pilot boats road—The Prison^{ers} were to proceed up in Torpedo Boat after being furnished with necessary stores by the Comis^{y} to Cap Holland's Order—which order I agreed to Sanction if the U. States would not

May 18th Solom^{n} Cummins to take one half *Freeman's Journal* with me. Danl Wolf takes half the *Delaw Gazette* and Wm Wolfe Esqr the *New York Herald*

May 20th Yesterday report that the Niemans boats had burnt the I River Shallops—this morn^{g} 2 barges were land^{g} at Rehoboth I wrote to Brigad^{r} Fisher to have a Serjeant and 6 or 8 men detached for this service for 2 Mon. &c Artillery have 22 men enrolled.

Copy of Genl Fishers Order to Cap Rodney

SIR

In Conseq^{e} of the Procl^{n} of Ad^{l} Cochran declarg the whole Coast of the U. S. with its harb^{rs} in a state of Rig^{s} Blockade, and the threat^{g} app^{e} of the Enemy near the Capes of Delaware

You are hereby authorized and directed, as soon as practicable, to enroll in you Comp^{y} of Artillerists as many volunteers, as will amt to Eighty men, for the Defense of Lewes, and the Adjacent Shores, to serve for two months, unless sooner discharged and this shall be your suffic^{t} Authority

I do hereby approve the above Order

Given under my hand this 17th of May 1814

DAN^{L} RODNEY

THO^{S} FISHER B. Gen 3^{d} Brid^{g}

Mr Batson and John West app^{d} Quarter Master & Commissary

May 21st 1814 Yester^{y} 3 barges rowed in to I River burnt B. Burtons and Diels and Faucets Shallops—Benjn Holl^{d} tis said ransomed 2 Shallops—took 8 or 10 head of sheep from Burtons Island—amt of loss say $4000 Sent a request by Cap Kollock to P. R. Esqr to deliv^{r} arms and Powder to the Officers at I. R.

Sent a Com^{n} for Saml Spencer vice Cap Green of Artillery at Milford—do for Wm Hamilton and Joseph Booth—

22nd Rec^{d} a letter from Coll Long—That he had rec^{d} 139 stand of arms from Geo Town, that they wanted 500 lb. Lead and 150 Powd^{r} M. B. sent 107 lb lead 2 Pr bullet moulds and an Order to get 4 Kegs Powder at Geo Town—bearers were Lieuts Waples and Coffin
Wrote to him that Genl Fisher distributed the amry

May 24th Tues^{y} Yester^{y} Cap Wright informed 4 Troopers were ready and 3 or 4 more in a few days would come in agreeably to orders from Gen Fisher—to aid the Garrison here Sent Com^{n} for Ensign in 5 Reg^{t} Cap Baker and Lieu^{t} Ryley in Reads Comp^{y}

May 28th Sent Ja^{s} Atkins a Trooper to Geo Town with Ltrs & 2 Com^{ns} to bring the extra Laws, Mail &c
Rec^{d} & signed Com^{ns} for Henry Raymond, Lieut & Wm Windel Ensign 6 Comp^{y} 4th Reg^{t} & Geo Hearn L^{t} & Jno Calloway En^{n} 3^{d} Comp^{y} 10th Reg^{t} Cap Isaac Cannon before app^{d}—and Jas Kolloch Ensign Cap Koll^{ks} Comp^{y}

June 7th Commiss^{d} Robert Leverson, Ja^{s} Hofecker and Wm Reynolds Cap. L^{t}. & Ensign of 5^{t} Comp^{y} 4 Reg^{t}

June 9th The French King Louis 18th. Brig Olivier or Olive Branch arrived in New York with dispatches—the King was expected in France from London ab^{t} 20th of April and Napoleon B to set off for the I of Elba ab^{t} the same time

June 17th 1814 This day Joseph Barry Esqr resigned his commiss^{n} of Justice which he has held for near 20 years, and Amos Saunders from his

Sat^{y} June 18th A British frigate came in an anchored Below the Brown
I this day issued an order for a Court Martial to try Major Bennet and deliv^{d} same to A. Gen Dill

19th Sun^{y} The Frigate sent 2 Barges and took Cap Marvel in a Schooner, with Lumber from Norfolk, last from Chingoteague—who came ashore from the Belvid^{e} Captn Byron to ransom his vessel and 40 M Shingles for 800$
Lt Wm Davis and Ensign Edwd Collins app^{d} to 3rd Comp^{y} and 6th Reg^{t}

Mon^{y} 20th A flag granted for Lieut Johnson to proceed to the Belvid^{e} with Ben^{m} Burton, Cap Marvel and his 3 hands—and 8 Rowers—to ransom the Sch^{r} Polly and Nancy—Flag ret^{d} Tu 1 O'clock A. M., next morning effected the ransom and Belvid^{e} sailed out to sea after Sunrise

On the 25th of June 1814 Addressed the Following Letter to the Hon Jno Armstrong Secretary of War—

SIR
Suppos^{g} the G of the U. S. had not yet found it con^{t} to spare troops for the Defense of Delaware, and the B. F. Nieman having A near the

Capes on the 20th sent 3 or 4 boats with 60 men to In R. where they burnt 2 or 3 Coasters and Shallops, loaded with Lumber, procured a a ransom for 2 others and ran same ashore on the Br I therefore ordered a Compy of M of 50 to be increased by volunteers to 80 to repair to Lewes to aid C. Hollands Compy in the defence of this place and the adjt Shores. Since which time none of their ships have anchored in the Del till the 19. In when the Bele C. Byron came in and lay 3 or 4 days in the Bay

I am persuaded Sir when you consider the Situation of Lewes, that all ships of W comg into the B must anchor near it, that there are 2 Bats here with 18, 12. an 6 Poundr mounted on ea A. conl quantity of P and other Mility stores belong to the U. S. You will deem it expt to order some troops to this Station, and an officer of skill and experience to take Comd there being no comd officer here except those of the Militia Compy

Appd Jos Murdock Ensign and Jas McCoy Lieut 4 Compy 2d Regt 1st Brig on Recomn of Cap Massey & Coll Nevins

I have the Honor &c
D Ry

July 4th 1814 Mon. A salute of 18 guns fired at Battery after which some individl procured 20 guns to be fired by pressing and solctg Cap Holland and his Officers to agree to and as I understg promising to make good the price of the Powder say 20 or 30 lb to the U. States Wm Marshall has I understand assumed the right to enroll men for a volunteer Compy and has prevailed on 18 or 20 of Cap H men to sign under him as Capn tho he offered himself as a Candide and Captn Hood got a majority of 9 over him

9th Wrote to the Adj Genl to appt Coll Caldwell Prest of Gen Court Martial instead of Gen Robinson who objects to serve, and Cap Warner a member—James Rogers vice N. V—to inform Cap Wm More I will send his Comsn for a Compy of Riflemen

13th This day recd a circular from Gen Armstrong informg that 93,000 Militia were to be holden in readiness to be ordered out by the Presidt our quota of which will be 100 Artillery 900 Infy—rode to Geo Town to detail and assign the Officers for the detacht and issue orders for Adjt Gen—to obtain a return of the 2 & 3 Class forthwith

15th July 1814 Issued the follg order to Adjt Gen Rob. Dill The Secretary of the D of War—by a communication dated the 4th of this month has made known to me that the President of the U. States has deemed it advisable to invite the Executives of certain States to organize & hold in readiness for immediate service a corps of 93,500 men under the Laws of 28th of February 1795 & the 18th April 1814. And that the quota of the State of Delaware under this requisition will be 100 Artillery and 900 Infantry &c &c &c

Also Wrote to Gen Armstrong askg the rect of the above and repeatg a request in my letter of 25th June requestg the Prest to a me to call some Compys to Lewes & M C &c

July 19th Met the Ad Gen at Geo Town recd orders for Major Cullen to procure company returns from Capts of 3rd Brige an he is to issue

the same to Major Peterkin and Black of 2d & 1st Brigade recd qrs S of S. P. Esqr

The Court Martial adjd after sitting three days to meet agn 2 Wed in Augt at New Castle

The Orders issued by Adt Gen to the B. Majors are as follows The Secty for the D. of War by a Comn dated 4th July 1814 has made known to the G of the S of D that the P of U. S. deemed it advisable to invite him to organize and hold in readiness for immedt service 1000 men is the quota of the sd State, to consist of 100 Artillery and 900 Infantry &c &c &c acct of men detailed from the 3rd Brigade in 1813 vizt

7 Regt	625	Quota	75	8th Regt	816	Quota	97
9 "	826	"	98	10 "	568	"	67
2 Troops	65	"	8	1 Artillery	43	"	5

20th July Commissnd Levin Phillips of Laurel Notary and T Public

27 Recd a Letter from Gen Armstrong Authorizing me to Station one compy of detached Militia at Lewes and one at New Castle I issued Orders to Brigade Major Cullen to call on the Capt of 8th Regt for 2nd Class—Wrote to Secretary & Cap Kollock

28th Wrote to Coll Dill to Organize the Compy for N. Castle
Copy of Gen Armstrongs Letter recd 27th

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the rect of your Exys letter of 15th inst. One Compy of the detached Militia of Del may be Stationed at N. Castle and one Compy at Lewes, until other means of defense can be substituted

Washingn July 22. 1814 I have the honor &c

J. Armstrong.

28th the Orders sent to Brigade Major, he not being at home—wrote to Cap Kollock to expedite the Organn of a Compy to be Comd by him. Lts James Martin, N Loftland & Wm Spicer

1st of Augt started for Dover a British Ship was near the Cape last Eveng—Tu & Wedy was at Dover Court. Adjd Wedy the two C Justices Mr Read, V. D. &c represented to me that it was not necessy at this time to station a Compy at N. C. there being the Presidts crew—Guniers Flotilla and say 50 or 60 recruits under Major Stockton

Wedy 3 On my return this day met Major Cullen at Coll P who had in the course of last week procured the rets from all the Capts of 3d Brigade and completed the list of 2d Class of 8th Regt to form a compy under Cap Kollock

Commissd Jno Downs Ensign 1s Compy 5 Regt and Geo Pierce, Jas Colesberry, John Wiley, Cap, Lt, and Ensign of 2nd Compy 2 Regt—and Peter G. F. Alricks 1st Compy

Fri 5th Augt Geo Russel Esqr appd Justice of the Peace New Ark

Aug 6 Isc D. Price Ensign 7th Compy 3 Regt—Sent 2 Copies Jourl sent to Secretary Jos W. Cochran Cornet Cap Miles Troop

Rec^{d} on frid^{y} last a Letter from Gen Armstrong dated July 20 informing me that Coll Davis was ordered to Lewes, and that Gen Bloomfield had orders to raise a comp^{y} of sea fencibles for the defence of Lewes—Coll Davis arrived at Lewes the day before

Monday 8th Augt Wm Burton O. F. presented his list of 25 scholars by which it appears he should be exempt from Mly Duty

Wed^{y} 10th Augt Cap Kollock with part of his company repaired to this Station—and reported himself & Co to Coll Davis—to whom I wrote on this same subject and proposed that the arms and equipm^{ts} left here by Cap Green should be furnished to Cap K comp^{y}

Thurs^{y} the 11th Captn Rodneys Comp^{y} was inspected by Major Cullen and discharged—they had served most of them 2 months and some 88 days

Frid^{y} 12th Sent Com^{ns} for Major Wm Armstrong vice M McKinney Wm Stidham Cap—Jas Armer Lt all of 5th Com 1st Reg^{t} Wm Anderson Lt An^{w} Virdin Ensign 5 Com 5th Regt

Sent to Sect^{y} 2 Com^{ns} signed for Cap Masseys off^{rs} if he has not sent those on I signed before

Wed^{y} Aug 17th This day signed the Comiss^{ns} for Thos T. Beaston Lt & Benjn Smith Ensign 3rd Com 4th Regt day before yesterday sent an order by Cap Kollock to Coll Hill to detach and march to Lewes 1 Ens and 50 men of his regt

Thurs^{y} Aug 18th Yester^{y} rec^{d} the proceed^{gs} of the Court Martial for the trial of Major Bennett—find him guilty of 1st Charge issuing contradictory Orders &c and Sentence him to be reprimanded in such a way as the Com^{y} in Chief shall direct

Frid^{y} 19th Wrote to Gen Armstrong Ask^{g} his of 20th and 22nd July informn^{g} him I had postponed call^{g} the C. to N. C.—that the Comp^{y} at Lewes was nearly full &c &c

Sun 21st A frigate and Brig said to be off to day—

Mon^{y} the 22nd In the case of M Bennett directed the P. and J A to reprimand M. B in such manner as they may consider most effectual to prevent O of the M in future from iss^{g} Orders knowg^{ly}. in direct oppos^{n} to the orders of their Superior Officers

Wed^{y} 24th Is^{d} Orders to Coll Kershaw to furnish 20 men to fill Cap Kollocks comp^{y}

Appd Geo Cabbage Cap^{n} Geo P. Har^{n} Lt David Reed ensign of 5th Company and 6th Regt

Fri 26th 1814 Coll Dill left town to go to Mr Wolfes has been in Town 2 or 3 days brot me no return from 1st or 2nd Brig^{es} talks of resign^{g}

Sun^{y} 28th This day rec^{d} on acct from Gen Stockton that Washing^{n} was taken by the British—I requested him to call out a comp^{y} of Infan^{y} to be stationed at N. Castle under Captn Leonard—to have the Artil^{y} and two other Comp^{s} of Infantry in readiness

C. A. Rodney C. of C. of Safety requestg me to write to Gen Armg to Authorc a Camp of 500 men to be formed near Wilmn

Wrote to Secty Robinson respectg Adjt Gen—and sent him copies of my Letters to Gen Armstrong &c

Tuesy 30th John Clark Esqr brot me Benjn Blackistone Commissn & resign—I sent a Commissn by him for Matn Coxe in his place as Justice of the Peace

Sept 2nd Commissd Jas Smith Captn Gerard Downing Lt and Jos Hamilton Ensign 1st Compy 2nd Regt and Saml Pennington Lt 3d Compy 3d Regt

Recd a Letter from the Come of Phila—signed Geo Latimer Josh Reed—Serjeant on Public Affairs—dated 27th ult and a letter from Coll Duane of the 26th requesting a return of the Militia

3d Went to Geo. Town to select officers appt A. Gen &c Coll Dill having resigned

7th Wed Wedy Wrote to Adjt—Gen Comegys to orge Mila &c and sent Commissn for Joshua Burton Justice of Peace

Saty 10th Sept 1814 Wrote to Come of Safety Phila two Ships of the line were off the Cape Thurdy and yestery 10 Oclock stood off

Wrote to Coll Kershaw and Coll Hill for 15 more men from ea of their Regts exclusive of 10 that are on here from Ki and 15 from Hills

12th Wrote to Gen Stockton Messrs Vandyke and Rogers on the subject of the Militia &c

Wedy 14th recd a Comn of Come of Correspe Phila and G. S.

Thursy 15th Commissd Geo Read Senr Capt Louis McLane Lt and Jas McCullough 2d Lt of W compy of flying Artillery Sent an Order and wrote to Genl Comegys—to notify the Cols &c to hold the Militia in Readiness to march and the field Ofrs of the Dd Militi to meet appt their Staff and make such arrangts as will enable the Regt to take the field in the shortest time possible &c to Compe the Orgn of the Regt and expedite a return thereof to the Comr of the district

Same day recd an applicn to apt Messrs Glasgow, Ochiltree and Nevin to Comd a Compy Artilry but considd that the Law would not authorize more than One Compy to a Regt

Friday 16th 10 Oclock 2 Ships came thro the opens and anchored below the Brown, supd to be two frigates

Recd by N. G. Williamn (Express) letters from the Come of Safety and of the Borh of Wilmington, and Gen Stockn pressing me to call out the detached Militia—and provide for the expense of the local Militia

Saty 17th One frigate went to sea this morng

Mon 19th The other frigate fired 5 guns & went to sea

The frigate took a Sloop near the Cape with 50 M. Shingles ran another Sloop and a small Schooner ashore agts Rhoads burnt the Sloop with Shingles, and got the Schr off, she is now, 4 Oclock P. M.

along side the Ship, and the Sloop astern near the Pitch—they were all from Chingt—and two of them owned by Mr Mills Philad[a]—and his Son

Capt[n] Brown of the Loise frigate offers to take 800$ for the Sloop

Tu 20th Loise at anchor near the Pitch, one barge gone up the Bay—Cliftons and 3 other Shallops came in last night & W. Boat

21st The Loise burnt the Sloop she had with her and went to Sea yesterday

22 Mr Jo[s] Sims appl[d] for a Commiss[n] Cap fly[a] Artill[ry] App[d] W[m] McBride Ensign to Cap P. Green

Rec[d] and answered a Letter from Major Comegys—

23 no ships in sight yesterday or today

Sent a Com[n] for Watson Pepper vice John Russel Esq[r]

In my letter to M Comegys I gave him a list of field Officers of the Capt[ns] and Off[rs] of the 3 Comp[ys] in 3[d] Brigade of some in 2nd and 1st and recom[d] him to consult the Colls &c &c

Oct 5th Coll Caldwell and field Officers met to appt their Staff

" 7 I Comiss[d] Jos Sims & Recd Henry Bayard Aids

Also com[d] Shff Robinson & Clendaniel, Marine & Smith for the Comp[y] S Elliott com[d] 7th Regt

Oct 9th 1814 Rec[d] the returns from New Castle by which it appears—N. C. gave 274 maj[r] for Dem Kent 617 Fed and Sussex 1080 clear Fed Maj[y]—1423 for Rep[s]

10th App[d] Jno Caldwell Jas Brindley, and Jas Stroud to view the residue of the N. C. and French Town Road

14th received the Com[sn] of Gen Fisher, Coll Long Major Moody Capt Ingram, Selick Hazzard

Major General (by brevet) Edward P. Gaines took com[d] of the 4th Military district

16th Wrote to Gen[l] Stockton

rec[d] a letter from Gov[r] Gilman enclos[g] a resolu[n] of N. Hampshire disapprov[g] the amend[t] proposd by Tenesee &c for short[g] the Term of Senators

Wed[y] 19th Octr appd John Wiley Esq[r] Clerk S. P Court

20th signed two Proclamations declar[g] Tho[s]. Cooper and Tho[s]. Clayton elected members of Congress

Signed Commis[ns] for I Colesby Cap. Tho[s]. Turner Lt and Ja[s]. Dunkin Ensign 2nd Comp[y] 2nd Regt Peter Dickerson Ensign 6th Comp[y] Eight Regt. Trustn Hardy Lt Infty Comp[y] 9th Reg[t] Tho[s]. Gosler Lt Ens[n] Ennalls Todd first Comp[y] Jno Wroe Ensign 2nd Comp[y] also renewed Capt[n] W[m] Jones Com[n] in 10th Regt

Oct 25th Rec[d] a Letter from Gov[r] Strong enclos[g] votes of the Legislature of Massa[tts] disapproving the amend[t] to the Constitu[n] of

U. S. proposed by Tenee and Pensylva to shorten the term of Senators to 4 yrs

27 renewd Commissns for Cap Gibbs, Lt Piles, B Dulany & Cap Moore Recd a Letter from Gen Stocktn informg me Cap Wilsons Artillery were still in service at Elk—Cap Rodney at Wilmn and that Cap Leonards was furloughed by Gen Gaines to report once a week

Col Davis left Lewes abt 24th and told me & Doctr Burton Cap Kolk would comd, immediately after which Lt Marshall moved all the Guns from Pilot Town Batty without consultg Cap Kollock as he C. K informed me

Octr 31st Yesterday Lt Marshall ordered 2 Guns to be fired at the Battery to bring a Schooner too that was going up abt 5 miles off Sent a boat off with a flag put a Pilot in her. She was from St Jagrs with Sugar Sent a box of Segars and 3 doz Oranges ashore for the Comg Officers

Marshal kept them Cap Kollock had him arrested and centinels placed at his house

Novr 1st Tu The Centinels still at Lt M door, he will not give up his sword

Wedy Novr The 2d Two Ships of War came in and anchored this eveng one the Sloop of War the other the frigate. I sent Jno Saunders and 8 men in a Whale Boat express to the flotilla—Genl Gaines and to inform the Shallops &c

9th Comd Cap Redden anew and Jno Griffith his Ensign

Yesterdy the small ship and a topsail Schooner went out and a brig came in—Topsail Schr—there is now the frigate 3 Schrs 1 brig and two Sloops

Saty Novr the 12th A 74 and frigate came in this morng in addition to the force before in the Bay, in consequence of which I issd the followg Order to Genl Fisher

SIR

In consequence of the arrival of A 74 and frigate in the Delaware this morning, in addition to the force already in the Bay—it is thought expedient that more men should be ordered to Lewes

You are therefore directed to order Capt Hs Compy of Grenadiers attchd to the 8th Regt to repair forthwith to Lewes, equipped for service

Capt Wright is also requested to detail an Officer and 6 or 8 troopers immediately and send in—

Capt Wright may serve himself if he prefers it and the Troopers should have good fleet Horses

If Genl Fisher should not be at home these orders will be obeyed by Capt Hazzard and Capt Wright

The Genl is requested to notify Capt Ingram Capt Mustard and Capt Hill to hold their companies in readiness to march at a moments warning

DANL RODNEY

Sent an express to Gen[l] Gaines informg him of this arrival in the bay, by a Trooper—Major Shankland took it to Milton

Sat[y] 12th This day the Ship sup[d] to be the Belvidere stood out to sea, and spoke a brig, they are both comg in

On Thurs[y] 10th in the eveng a Sloop and Chibacco boat stood up the bay—they have not yet come down

Sun[y] 13th The Raree stood to sea, came back and anchored close in to the Cape, Cap[t] Hazz[ds] Comp[y] came in abt 3 Oclock and 4 or 5 of Cap W troopers—in the eveng an alarm—40 men sent to the Light house. 10 Oclock the centinel[s] oppos[e] Town saw or said they saw 15 or 20 men—discharged their guns and made an alarm—and a canon was fired in the fort

Tu 15th This day Com[d] Major Gibbs, Cap Peter B. Dulany—Cap Wm. B. Cooper & 1st Lt Minos Tindal, for 3d Troop Cavalry. Commiss[d] Edward Dingle Esq[r] J. P. John started from Geo Town for Princeton in the Stage (Milby by water)

Thurs 17 App[d] Henry Wallace Cap L. J 9th Regt

Friday One Ship a two decker (perhaps the Leander S[r] Geo Collier or a Raree) only in the bay—One frigate and brig went out Mon[y]—other frigate Tu. and Sch[r] Wed[y]—this Ship went to sea this day—none of the British are now in the Delaware

Rec[d] a Letter from Gen Gaines in answer to mine of the 12th request[g] me to call out or have in readiness the other two Comp[s] of detached militia I therefore issd the order to Major Ellegood

LEWES Nov[r] 18th 1814

SIR

I have been req[d] by M-G. Gaines to issue the orders necessary for call[g] out the Comp[t] of detach[d] Militia under Com[d] of Cap Polk and Cap Derickson

You are therefore directed to order the Comp[y] under Cap P— to be forthwith assem[d] Must[rd]—and organized at Concord, or Bridgeville as you may deem most convenient, that the Company so mustered should be prepared and hold themselves in readiness to march to Lewes, or any other point on the Sea-board of the State the moment they receive my orders for that purpose

You will also direct Cap[t] Derickson to have his Comp[y] call[d] forthwith to the head of Ind River, there to be organized, mustered and held in readiness to march the moment he receives further orders

It is not expected that either of those Comp[ys] will continue longer at the places of rendevous than may be necessary to organize and form rolls or returns of their effective force—preparatory to their taking the Field

They will be entitled to receive pay and rations while at their rendevous in the same manner as if they were actually call[d] into the service of the U. S. agreeably to the act of Congress of the 18[t] of April 1814

As the Commander of the District desires this detachment if call[d] out, should be furnished with arms, you are requested to direct the

Capt^{ns} to order such of their men as have rec^{d} arms and equipment from the State, to have them at the rendevous, and those men who are not furnish^{d} must be supplied by calling upon Col Long to make up the deficiency for Cap^{n} Derickson^{s} Company—and for Capt Polks company—the Brigadier Genl will order the deficiency to be made up at G. Town, if there sh^{d} be a sufficient number in that dept—

It will be proper for the Officers of Comp^{ns} to keep a particular and correct acct of the arms they receive, from whence or what Company of Militia they were furnished & make a return thereof to the Brig^{r} Genl or the Military Commissary Mr Batson, in order that the Capt^{ns} of Militia, to whom arms were distributed in the Spring & Summer and who gave Sectys or bonds for their safe keeping and return when called on may have a credit for the same

Novr Sat^{y} 19th 1814 discharged Capt Hazzards Grenadiers and Lieut Smiths Troopers—abt 30 of the 1st and 8 of the last Wrote to Genl Gaines and Adj Genl Comegys by Col Sims who came down to render any assistance in his power

1814 Sund^{y} 20th Novr None of the B. Squadron in the Delaware since friday last—Col Irwin & Major Stockton with 5 Comp^{s} of Regulars most of them new recruits amt^{g} to 4 or 500 men arrive at Lewes and encamped on the B. H Pond Hill

Tu 22nd Novr No Ships in sight

Mon^{y} 28th friday last renewed Major John McKinley Gen Robinsons, Cap Derickson and Lieut Watters Comm^{ns}

Yesterday Col Irvine and Lt Marshall Comp^{y} were exercising the guns at the Bat^{y} & trying the Powder, when one of the 18 Prs bursted wounded Dav^{d} Hall G. Brown, J. Norm, Sam Davis, Wm Edwards, Lt Hargess and several others—the first 4 severely

Tu 29 Two of the 18^{lbs} stood the Proof viz 18^{lb} Powder two balls, and filled up with dirt &c and 1 more bursted

A frigate and Brig chased a Schooner this afternoon—

Wed 30th Novr A ship of the line, a frigate, and Schooner near the Cape—one of the regulars died—at the request of Col Irvine and Major Stockton sent Jno Milby express to Milford with their dispatches for Gen Gaines

Thurs^{y} Dec 1 Commiss^{d} Wm H. Wells & T Clayton for Aids H. M. Ridgely Brig^{r} Genl—sent Maj^{r} Aydel^{ts} Cap Clarks & Lem^{l} Wells—Prom^{d} Major Burton, Cap Phil^{s} and Major Booth in all 9—also Thos. Rod^{y} Cap. Lt Johnson & Cap Ln Phillips

At the request of Col Irvine Ordered Cap Wright to bring 8 Troopers to Lewes for express^{s} &c

A flag came from the Pactolus Cap Aitman to land Prisoners 5 from Lady Washington Schoon^{r} of N. York for Savanh

The Majestic Raree is gone off—the Spencer 74 Cap Ragget is in the Bay

They have retaken a prize to Chasseur and have 10 of their men on board—they have also captured 5 since they went out

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Sat^{y} 3^{d} Decr the 74 only in the Del these 3 days

Dec 7th 1814 rec^{d} the Certif^{e} from the Judges that Jno Reed had given security as Sheff of Kent
Also the Return of the detached Militia from the Adj^{t} Genl

Frid^{y} 9th The Spencer 74 Cap Ragget went to sea

Mon^{y} 12th Col William N Irvine left Lewes—an express came for him

Tu—13th Col Davis arrives at Lewes

Sun 18th Decr Rec^{d} Certificate that Wm Moore gave security as Shff of New Castle
Yesterday the 19th Cornet Morris and his Troopers were discharged, they have been in service most of them since the 3^{d} inst

Thurs^{y} 22nd Major Stockton with his Battalion of Regulars marched from their encampt at Lewes for the Lazaretto—abt 50 of the invalids went up by water
A British Sloop of War came in this day—went out 23^{d}

25th Com^{d} Cornel^{s} D Blaney Ensign N Guards—and Cornel^{s} P. C. Col 5th Regt—vice Col Ridgely Prom^{d} Cap Green app^{d} Major vice Major Comegys—at Dover Jan 4th Cap Williams via Cap Ennis

Jany 1st 1815 Spencer 74 came up into the Del. Same day Cap Kollocks Comp^{y} rec^{d} their Order to be discharged

Jany 2^{d} 1815 Started for Dover—got there the 3^{d} Message d^{d} the 4th—sent an express to Vessels at R Island

Frid 6th left Dover got home 7th—Lt Tatem arrive by order of Lt Henry Com^{r} of the Flotilla

Mon 9th Commiss^{d} A Reynolds Register in Chancery and a Mr Boulden Lt 2nd Reg^{t}—also Thos Rogers Brig^{e} Inspector vice C. M. Cullen resigned—iss^{d} 6 Comn^{s} at Dover—Spencer went out yesterday —Cap Kollocks Comp^{y} were Inspected and discharged this day

Tu 10th Thos Rogers app^{d} Brigade Inspector vice C. M. C.

Frid^{y} 13th Ships went out from R. Island

Mon 16th Rec^{d} a resolut^{n} from the Govr of N. C. declaring ye proposed amend^{t} to the Con^{n} as to Senators inexpedient
Two Schoon^{rs} and a brig coming in this eveng

Tu Jan 17th A severe storm from N. N. E. and N. this day—Com^{d} Wm Sinex Ensign 5th Comp^{y} 1st Reg^{t}

Wed 18th Renewed Fran^{s} Brown Com^{n} as Prothon^{y}—also Wm Frazer Justice of the Peace

Jany the 23^{d} 1815 App^{d} Ken Batson Clerk of the Peace Sent Com^{ns} for Gen Stockton if his has expired

29th Signed and sent a Deed to Mr Robinate Wilmn for House sold by the Escheator for $2700 to him, late the property of——Falp

Feby 1st Sun. Mon. Tues & Wed very cold, this day Wed, moderated—recd 10$ from Mr T Barr for his Comn

Tuy 7th Signed 200 Marriage Licenses

Mony 13th Saty last two schr from Havanh came in & yestery they came down into the road—One is Capt Saml Israel of Phila 40 days since he left—the other of Baltime Cap Hold came in her—he was taken going out

Yesty I recd a Letter from John Cotton Smith Govr of Connecticut enclosing proposed Amendts to the Constitn—Also a Letter from Jas Monroe S at War enclosg the act to authorize the Prest of the U. S. to accept services of State Troops and Volunteers

Thursy 16th Feb 1815—Recd an acct of the arrival of the Secty of Legation Carrol, with treaty signed the 24th Decr at Ghent—17 Guns fired and Lewes was illuminated in the evens

Sundy 19th recd Saml Moores resignation as Major

Wedy 22nd Feby A Salute of 17 Guns fired this day at the Battery for Peace (which was ratified the 17th and proclaimed the 18th)

March the 8th Yestery at Geo Town apd Jno Lowber Appqk John Lowber Dover, Elias Stockley Milford and Wm Ellegood near Concord Justices of the Peace—renewed Benjn Dills—appd C. A. Rodney Major of Artillery

10th Recd from Gen Stockton respectg his Comn and the arms &c

13th Wrote to Adjt Gen to direct the Brigs and Miliy Commises to collect and store the arms &c and make a return The Pilots Compy under Lt Marshall this day inspected by Major Rogers and discharged by orders from Col Irvine

17th Commiss Benjn Blackiston vice Jno Wilds decd

22d Appd Saml Ratcliff—Jno Spicer—Zadok Aydelott Justices & Henry Colesberry Health Officer N Castle

Apl 8th Recd by Larkin Way express from C. A. Ry L. McL. Doctr M I Stephenson &c a recomn to remit the punisht for manslaughter of Patk Conaway who was indictd for the murder of his wife, no repn from Court or Jury or Statement of circumstances having been sent —the Punisht was not remitted

Apl 22d Recd Gen Fishers resignation

25 & 6 Comd Jeremh Rust Cap & Zecharh Jones Lt in 6 Compy 7 Regt Cap Thos Fooks, E. C. Taylor ensn vice Cap Wonnels Compy —Jacob Morris Cap—Asa Boyce Lt Stewarts Grenadiers G. R. Massey vice Majr Moore

Wm McBride Cap Jno D. Anderson Lt & Thos Curtis ensn Greens Compy—A Hamilton Cap Allen Thompson 1st Lt Jno Ball 2nd Wingd

Prettyman Cornet of Cap Jamesons Troop Major Thos Peterkin Lt in Adams Compy.

29th Recds resignation of Cap Moore, Captn Buchanan and Ensign Guthery

Directed the Secretary of State to make out a pardon to remit the fine of 15.33 to Rob Walles for Selling Liquor in 1813 without License at Chapel

May 1st Lt Wm Marshall by an Order from Lt Baker recd the 150 stand of Arms from Jno Thompson which Coll Hall recd from Q. M. Gen Leonard in 1812 also 66 or 67 that were left by Capn Green 10 of which were delivd by Jno Thompson to him, and were to be replaced by the same number of french guns to be collected abt Town

Major Stockton recd 28 stand of Greens makes 84

Mr Thompson my opinn and I wrote this morng May 2nd to Lt Marshall that he should deliver the 10 stand of Arms to Mr Thompson again unless he could satisfy Mr Batson they did not belong to the State—Also advised him to take care of all the other stores till Mr. B. could receive and give a rect for them

6th Patrick McConaughy appd Col 3d Regt vice Col Carter Wm Bowman Cap—Nathan Holland Lt George McCory ensign 3d Compy and Jas Chambers Cap. Wm Wildin Lt and Wm White ensn 4th Comp 3d Regt

Jas Anderson Cap 6th Comp 8th Regt—(in all 8) & 7 below Sent Comn for E Roche Esqr Escheator also blanks for Majr Gen Robinson renewd and Brigr Gen Col Wood rend Nathn Pratt Cap—Stephenson Lt—Davis ensn 1st Comp 6 Regt

12th Resigns of Levi Boulden Cap. 2nd Lt Infy 7 Comp 2nd Regt
" Jacob Faris Junr Ensign " " " "
" Jno Snow Lt 8th Comp 4 Regt
" Nathn Read 1st Battn 8th Regt
" Geo Baker Captn 5th Compy 8th Regt
" Gabl Ryley Lt " "

15th Major Genl Robinsons Commissn was renewd Novr last and Major Jno Kollock comd vice Major Reed, Gen Paynter vice Gen Fisher, Col Shankd vice Col Paynter

May 18th 1815

Appoints—Job Ingram Lt. Benjn Johnson Ensn of Spen Phillips Comp, Boaz Burrows Cap, Wm Brinky Lt Jno Purnel Ensn Donln Adams Compy, Wm Abbot Cap 5 Comp 8th Regt &c

19 Col Caldwell renewd Cap Ball, Lt Hersey Ensn Yearsley of 1st Regt and Lt Barney Ensn Nusum 1st Comp 5th Regt

Capn Aspril Lt Moore Ensign Garrison and Lt Reynolds 3th Regt

20—Capt Laws Lt Kollock Lt Infy 8th Regt

24 Jas Chiffins Majr 1st Batn 4th Regt Saml Hutchinsn Cap 8th Comp 3d Regt Wm Anderson Cap & Jas Andern Lt 5th Com 2nd Regt—

Jacob Sharpley Cap^{n} Jos Jackson Lt and Wm Elliott Ensign 1st Comp 1st Regmt Fred^{k} Leonard Cap^{n} 1st Lt Inf^{y} 1st Regt

26 Resignation Maj^{r} Crow both his Of^{s} Thos Purnal Ens^{n} L. I 6th Regt

27th Remitted the punishmt of Jno Hukill who was convicted for aiding and assisting in kidnapping—N. Castle County Quarter Sessions

June 2nd Resignation of Thos Turner Lieut 2nd Comp^{y} 2nd Regt. Application to remit fine for David Owens, repd the fine of Samuel Stephens for obstructing road from Johns Town to Milford

8th Com^{d} Jno Dehorty and Chris^{y} Clymer vice Geo Cubbage aid —Cap & Ens^{n} of 5th Comp^{y} 6th Regt

16 Thos Clements 2nd C. 5th R res^{d} Boaz Manlove do

24th App^{d} Cap Jas. Phillips Lt Rob Elsey & Ens^{n} Isaac Cordrey 6th Comp 9th Regt

Aug 1st App^{d} Cap Sharp & Lt Thorogh^{d} 4 C. 8th Regt

" 4th Monday A severe Gale at East drove a Ship on Shore near the Pitch with 5000 bu Corn and some Flour, She was from N. York bound to Lisbon and had lost her mizen mast and foretop mast in the Gale on Thursday last

Also the Schooner Ellen or Helen with Iron Ballast from Chesepeak drove on near Lewes—and a Schooner from N. Y. to N. Carolina on Plumb point

Sept 20th App^{d} Jno Mansfield Justice Peace—Gen Wolfe Mil^{y} Com^{y} and Doct^{r} Harris Auditor of Accts

Jas Kollock app^{d} Cap vice Pan^{r} Laws resigned—Phil^{p} Wingate Ensign

Oct 1st App^{d} Wm Ellegood Col 9th Regt and Ezek^{l} Smith Cap—Geo Harris Lt & Jno Dawson Ens^{n} 2nd Comp 4th Regt

Nov. 24 Rec^{d} a record of the conviction of Jno Smith for the murder of *Armwell Long in a boat near P. P. and signed the Warrant for his Ex^{n} 3 or 4 weeks hence

App^{d}. And^{w} Vist Cap—and Clem Houston Lt of 4th Comp^{y} 7th Regt

26 Remitt^{d} the punishmt on the 2nd Conviction of Wm Perry for kidnapping

December 10th Com^{d} Jona^{n} Downham Lt and Isaac Riley Ens^{n} of 5th Comp^{y} 5th Regt.

28th Rec^{d} Resignation of Jno Brown Ens^{n} 8th Comp 5th Regt Jacob Morris Cap Grenad^{rs} 2 Balt^{n} 9 Regt Says the Comp wishes Jno Williams to be Ens^{n}

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* See page 44.

1816 Jany 10th We had the greatest fall of Snow on Thurs^{y} night an Frid^{y} morn^{g} last that has hap^{d} for 20 or 30 years past—perhaps 1 foot deep

24 Directed Mr Batson to sell the Powder at Geo Town on the Tues^{y} of S. P. Court after advertising &c

28th Sent Com^{n} to Col Caldwell vice Gen Stockton and order to Col Comegys to direct Jno Many & Gen Wolfe to sell the Powder

29 Commission for Wm Carpenter Esqr

March 17 Mr Rob^{n} brot in the Letter of Mr Cooper informing that the Sec^{y} at War req^{d} evidence of the emergency that req^{d} the service of Militia called out by Govr Haslet in Apl 1813—Sent out for him to file and forward under Seal the Corresp^{e} between Beresford and Govr and Byron & Davi^{s} of the 16 and 18th of March and 6th of April—and a Letter from me to Thos Cooper Esqr enclosing my Statement to Sec^{y} at War and Col Haslet

22 Rec^{d} resig^{n} of Ens^{n} An^{w} Virden 5 Comp 5th Regt and H Colescot Cap 7 Camp 5th Regt
Rec^{d} from Kendal Batson a return of the sale of 11 Kegs and 3 bbls of Powder at 17.80 Kegs at 8.40 & 50 amt $147.35

Aug 23 Sent to Captn Jno Kollock to shew to Mr Albright Gen Armstrongs Letters of the 20 & 22nd of July 1814 and a Copy of Genl Gaines instruction to Col Irvine of Novr ordering him to Lewes

July 12 1817 Friday morning a small Schooner was unloaded and the Cargo put in Thos Howards cellar, &c &c &c She was brot up the Creek by Messrs Howards and L West Cust^{m} H Officer, and Thurs^{y} she was brot from Cape May as tis sd by How^{ds} boat Elizath in whom was Robt Howard, Richd Bebe and Harry Maulls boy—who say three men, one seemed to be an Officer, hailed them at sea, followed them into Cape May, wanted their Skiff to land in, they refused them, and a Chebucco Boat com^{g} in the got on board, and took with some Money and other articles, threw some overboard, and was going to scuttle the Schnr—but they begged her of them and bro^{t} her to Lewes. (The Schooner had a very valuable cargo)

Jan 6 1818 Wrote to Secty R. G. and sent 4 V. U. S. Laws the Letters of Gen Armstrong, Com Murray, Mr Cooper &c respect^{g} the acct of this State Agnst the U. States for Military expenditures in 1813 & 14

31st Jany This month has been moderate till yester^{y} and this day Sat^{y} A. Brig from Savannah with Rice Cotton & Pimento (the Roderich Captn C. Harding of N. York) came on shore opp^{e} Pilot Town in a violent N. E. Snow Storm Also the Brig Gen Scot—Cap Ramberger—Adams Phila from Havanah or P au Prince with Sugar in boxes and Span Tobacco
Also the Ship Alpha—Cap Wallington from Belfast to Phila 30 or 40 Irish Passengers

She parted and thumped on the Brown, then on the Shears 2 Hours —lost her Rudder, Main and Mizen and came on below Green Bank abt 1 or 2 Oclock Sat^{y} was not seen from the Town till Sund^{y} Feb 1st had some dry Goods and Potatoes on board

Mar 19th A Schooner from Phila Capt Finn for Savan^{h} Cargo, Corn, Oats, Pots Porter &c came on the Pitch and Bilged

Sept 3^{d} 1821 A great Hurricane from S. E. and E. S. E. came on at 1 Oclock P. M—blew till 3 then changed W & W N. W and blew abt 2 hours with equal violence abt 2 hours Richd Westley his 3 sons, Thos Virdin and Jas F^{n} were lost in his boat J. S. Lewis at Sea—Jas. Thompson J Silas Miles and two others lost in the Oscar Davis Many Chimneys, Trees, Barns &c blew down—

1823

April 1st Sun^{y} last a severe Easterly storm a Sloop from Phila for Norf^{k} Cap Wicks ran on oppt Gordons Vessel and great part of Cargo lost

The Sloop Alonzo belon^{g} to Jas Paynton, Doct White and H. F Rody & Co ran ashore above Mor^{s} Listons—in same Gale between Broad & Cedar Creek 2 brigs and 2 Schooners ashore and 17 sail between Bom^{y} Hook and N Castle

Sat June 4th 1825 The Plough Boy with Henry Dav—Jim Son. Passengers Doct^{r} White—Clem^{t} Tingley & their Families &c came on Shore below Green Bank—a severe Gale at N. E. The tide being higher than it has been before for 3 or 4 years 3 or 4 other Sloops came on the Cape between this and the Creeks Mouth

Got off the Tu following with the loss of one anchor & chain

Thur^{y} 17th Aug. in the morng W^{m} & Henry in mov^{g} the Plough Boy in to the wharf was resisted forcibly Lewis West and Reece Marriner, the last of whom struck Henry while making a fast from the post on our wharf, and Reece threw two pieces of brick at W^{m} on the Quart^{r} Deck of his vessel, her stern then entered up against the wharf W^{m} jumped on shore and struck him several times they afterwards persisted in keeping the President in the Birth of the P. B. at the wharf and prevented her discharging her Cargo—Present Jno Wilson, Wm Marshall, Jno Ware, Danl McCallister Cyrus Sum^{rs}—Geo O & Thos Truxton &c

1828 Thur^{s}. 2^{d} The Schooner Engineer, Cap Robinson with Mr Strickland and crew came down to commence the Break Water in the Cove

Sun 5th 2 of their Sloops came down to the Cove and Mon^{y} the N. W. with buoys and stone came on shore a mile or too below Lewes —the other with a house frame & Brick lost her Anchor and went to sea, but got in again Tu 7th

Sat^{y} 18th Apl 1829 The first Schooner arr^{d} from N. York and began to throw stone for the B Water opposite Lewes, and the Carpenters & got their House enclosed for the use of the engineers &c—it is 22 by 28 feet 2 stories—and 1 mile from Lewes

THE AFFAIR AT LEWES.

Africa, at Sandy Hook
August the 3d 1794

Sir The treatment I received at Lewiston since your departure from the mouth of the Delaware, has been so extraordinary and so contrary to what one of his Majestys Ships is entitled to receive from the Inhabitants of a neutral Power, that I think it my duty to state to you the particulars

Having been told upon our arrival there, that we should meet with a friendly reception, and that I could purchase any quantity of water I stood in need of for the Ship's use, I agreed with a man who keeps one of the Schooners for a certain quantity at a dollar pr Butt. and he came and received our empty casks to fill, but next morning he returned the casks assuring me that it would give him great pleasure to be of any use to the King's ships, but that the people on shore had threatened to burn his boat, in case he supplied us with a drop of water—that they had heard we were in distress for that article and were resolved that no boat from that town should supply us with a single cask.

By this time we also found our supply of fresh beef and vegetables was stopped, and that nobody durst engage to procure us any thing for fear of incurring the rage of the people in the Town, however this same man beforementioned, and whose name I shall give you, undertook to procure from his Father's farm in the country a single Bullock for the sick, who were much afflicted with Scurvy, and he brought it into Town, but not on time to get on board that night, so that it was the Sunday Morning before we could receive it into the Ship

This the Justice of the Peace construed into such an offence as to fine the poor man forty shillings under pretence of breaking the Sunday, and he was otherwise beat, and so ill treated by the People on shore, that he did not reckon his life in safety, and I gave up all thoughts of a supply, when our friends were to furnish us at such a risque; but as I had received no accounts from the Officer I had occasion to send to Philadelphia, I was obliged to run the risque of sending my own boat for water, as you know I had not sufficient on board to last me round to a more friendly Port, in case I was detained any time in the Delaware.

Accordingly, I sent the long boat, which by great exertion was just enabled to bring off sufficient for our daily expence, and in doing so, although I used every precaution, the people (not, as were given to understand, the mob or common people, but the most respectable part of the Inhabitants) so waylaid and watched our boats crew, that they enticed away three of my men.

One man, who in particular came down to the boat, decoyed away two men, and offered money to the rest of the crew to desert also, is

named Hall, and is a housekeeper in Lewiston; this was the more ungrateful in Hall, as one of his negroes came and offered himself to my officer, to enter on board the Africa, which request he very properly declined, and it happened to us also, that a slave belonging to another man had found his way on board, whom I delivered up the instant I knew it, although the poor wretch claimed our protection in the most moving terms, hiding himself under the guns and clinging to every thing he could lay hold of when he was dragged away to his old master.

During all this time, I can assure you, that the Africa's Crew and Officers, who were obliged to go on duty, conducted themselves with the greatest caution, and though receiving personally every insult from the mob that language can express, could never be prevailed upon to to commit themselves by departing in a single instance from the line of conduct prescribed to them to follow. As to any personal insult being offered to myself, I put it out of their power, because no persausion, and I had it often from Col° Neil, could induce me to put my foot in a country where we were received as enemies rather than as friends, and no officer of the Africa, was ever on shore but on the duty of obtaining water for the Ship

Signed RODM. HOMES

Rear Admiral Murray &c &c &c True copy GEO TAYLOR JR

NEW YORK 14 August 1794

SIR I have the honor of submitting to you the copy of a letter from Captain Homes of his Majestys Ship Africa to Rear Admiral Murray, from which it is manifest that the Officers and Crew of that vessel have suffered from the inhabitants of Lewistown the same "unfriendly treatment as that which his Majestys Ships of War and Officers in his Majesty's service have, since the commencement of the present hostilities uniformly experienced in the American Ports"

On this last instance it is not my intention to expatiate, but merely to add to it the other facts of a similar tendency that I have at different periods communicated to you, and to repeat the conviction expressed in my letter of the 30th ulto (which I hope you have received, that "unless this government can devise some preventive mode of protecting from insult the Officers of his Majesty's Ships in ports of the United States, the assurance of their experiencing a friendly and hospitable treatment, contained in your predecessor's letter of the 9th of September 1793" and reiterated in yours of the 7th of last month "will be rendered absolutely useless and nugatory"

I have the honor to be with great respect Sir, your most obedient humble servant

GEO HAMMOND

The Secretary of State

Department of State 22d Aug 1794

True Copy GEO TAYLOR JR C. Clerk

New Castle October 7 1794

Gentlemen The Secretary of State for the United States has communicated to me, that Mr Hammond his Brittanic Majesty's Minister Plenipotentiary to the United States, has complained that the hospitable treatment which public Ships of War and officers in the british service, as well as the Ships and officers of every other nation, have a right to expect in the American ports from usage and courtesy, and which has therefore been assured to them by the Government of the United States, is often withholden from them; the liberty to procure water denied; and the British Sailors encouraged to desert.

This conduct is deemed by the Government of the United States as contrary to its declaration of Neutrality, and so reprehensible impolitic, as to require suppression, in order that the honorable course which the General Government has pursued may not now be sullied by the refusal of any act due to the belligerent Powers

The Secretary of the United States at the same time, forwarded me a copy of a letter of the 14th of Augt from Mr Hammond, the British Minister, founded upon Captain Homes of the 3d, complaining of such treatment received at Lewestown, by the Officers and Crew of the Ship Africa, and has requested that Enqury be made concerning these transactions, and the result transmitted to him.

I must therefore request, that you will make an accurate enquiry into the facts alledged in the letters above alluded to, copies of which are herewith inclosed; and that the testimony which may be taken, will be committed to writing, and forwarded to me, in order that it may be communicated, without delay, to the Secretary of State for the United States

I am Gentlemen your obedient hble servant

J Clayton

To The Honble Richard Bassett Thomas McDonough and Daniel Rodney Esquires. Judges of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace for the State of Delaware

(Copy)

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,

WASHINGTON, February 2, 1910.

THE HONORABLE H. A. DUPONT,
United States Senate.

SIR:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th ultimo, in further relation to the desire of the Reverend C. H. B. Turner, of Lewes, Delaware, for information concerning the treatment of the officers and crew of H. B. M. AFRICA at Lewes, in August, 1794.

A most careful search has been made of the files of the Department. The substance of the documents brought to light is as follows:

The British Minister under date of August 14, 1794, enclosed a complaint of Captain R. Home of the AFRICA relative to ill treatment of his officers and crew by the inhabitants of Lewes, Delaware. (British Notes, Vol. I.)

The Department of State on August 22, 1794, sent a circular to the Governors of States calling attention to complaints of improper treatment of British war vessels, etc., by inhabitants of States, and asking that proper protection be accorded to all vessels, officers, and crews. (Dom. Letters, Vol. VII, p. 174.)

The Governor of Delaware was informed on the same date of the complaint with reference to the AFRICA, and requested to cause an inquiry to be made, and to report the result of the inquiry to the Department. The British Minister was informed that this request had been made. (Dom. Letters, Vol. VII, p. 176.)

There is no record indicating that any report was ever received from the governor of Delaware, or that any was communicated to the British Minister.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) P. C. KNOX.

Col. Armwell Long Born Feb. 17th 1754 Died Nov. 22d 1834

John Long Son of Armwell Long and Elizabeth Gray his wife Died July 1846 age 68 years 3 months & 7 days

Henry Wells Long Son of John and Elizabeth Long Born Feb. 1st 1826 Died April 15th 1890

RECORDS OF DUTCH REFORMED CHURCH, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

MARRIAGES.

1677, May 13. Poulus Vanderbeck, young man, from Gowanis, to Sara Schouten, maiden from New Castle.

Aug 25 Jan Jakopsen Tolier, young man from Kerner in Walsland, to Mathaleen Louwerens, maiden from the South River.

Witness: Jan Jakopsen, bride's stepfather

FROM NEW JERSEY RECORDS.

The Pennsylvania Frigate, Capt. Sibbald, on Thursday last was spoke with off the Wood Lands, some few Leagues southwest of Sandy-Hook, still in quest of Monsieur Chateleau, who seems to be playing Bow-peep with our Cruizers, as, on Thursday before, the Privateer Sturdy Beggar, Capt. Troup, was spoke with 45 Leagues to the Eastward of Cape Henlopen, (all well) and also on the hunting Order for the Prince Edward. The Pennsylvania Journal, No. 835, December 7, 1758

BURLINGTON, February 14, 1759.

Whereas one John Andrews, is now confined in the gaol of the County of Burlington, on suspicion of his being a servant to one William Hay, at Christian Ferry in the County of New Castle, in pursuance of an advertisement by him the said Hay, published, this is therefore to notify to all whom it may concern that if no person appears to prove him the said Andrews a servant, in one Month after the date here-of, he will be discharged on paying fees, agreeable to an order made the last Sessions at Burlington for that purpose.

JOSEPH IMLAY, *Sheriff*

TO BE SOLD

A Tenement and Tract of Land, situated in West Jersey, near Salem Town, on one of the main Branches of Salem Creek, adjoining a Grist Mill, known by the Name of Powell's, or Masons Mill, containing 240 Acres or thereabouts, on which there are good Conveniences for Meadow. &c

Any Person inclining to purchase, may know the Terms of Sale, and see the Titles, by applying to the Subscriber, living in Dover Town, Kent County, on Delaware

JOHN VINING

Pennsylvania Gazette, No. 1562, November 30, 1758

To be Sold

A Tract of Land, containing 1800 Acres, situated on Egg Harbour River, in Gloucester County, West Jersey, in which is some good Cedar Swamp, with a fine Stream running through it to erect a Mill on; the rest good arable Land, the whole free from Quit-rents.

Any Person inclinable to purchase, may be informed of the Title and Terms, by applying to the subscriber living at Dover, Kent County, on Delaware

Charles Ridgely

Pennsylvania Gazette, No. 1674, January 22, 1761

Strayed or stolen, the 15th of this instant October, from Newark, a bright bay Horse, near 15 Hands high, Brand not known &c. Whoever takes up the said Horse, and brings him to Newark, shall have Fifteen Shillings Reward, and reasonable Charges, paid by Edward Miles, or William Wells Tavern-keeper, in Dover.

Pennsylvania Gazette, No. 1716, November 12, 1761

Whereas Tobias Guilder of Kent on Delaware, did in March last dispose of a Shalloop called the Dolphin, to Abraham Jones, Gabriel Venemon and Phillip Grace all of Maurice River in the County of Cumberland &c——, but fraud[ul]ently and unknown to us the said Shalloop was under Execution and taken from us at Little Creek Landing in Kent County, by the High Sheriff of said County the third Day of this Instant August, and sold the fourth Day to the highest Bidder &c.

Pennsylvania Journal, No. 769, September 1, 1757

Thomas McCracken was ordained as a preacher by the Presbytery of Lewes Del., in 1768; he died in 1794. Received the Degree of Bachelor of Arts, Princeton October 2, 1761

Deserted from the Forces of the lower Counties in Delaware, and from Captain Richard Wells's Company, Richard Grant, a Labourer, born at Squan in the West Jerseys, aged twenty four years, about five Feet, six Inches high, fair complexion; brown Hair, well set; had on, a blue Coat, long skirted, with broad white Metal Buttons; is supposed to have stolen a Canoe from Little Creek-Hundred, in Kent County, on Delaware, and suspected to have gone to Morriss River, in West Jersey.

Whoever secures said Deserter, and gives Notice thereof to Captain Wells, at Dover, shall receive Two Pistoles Reward, over and above the Allowance made by Act of Parliament

Richard Wells

Dover, May 5, 1758

Deserted from Major General Shirleys Regiment, the following Recruits &c.

William Clafton, born in Maryland, 28 years of age, by trade a Ship-carpenter, fair complexion, smooth face, long Roman nose, lost two upper teeth, 5 feet 10 inches high, supposed to be gone towards Sussex County, or the borders of Maryland

Moses Alford, born in Dover, Pennsylvania, by trade a breeches maker and glover, 5 feet 8 inches high, and was seen about Dover.

Thomas Barret, born in Ireland, has fair hair and complexion, is pock-marked, 5 feet 8 inches high; he inlisted at Dover, is a mariner

NEW-CASTLE, July 25th, 1758

Whereas a certain Job Wolford, of Hunterdon County, in the Western Division of New-Jersey, upwards of two Years ago put a Bond into my Hands due to him from one Jonathan Stout, in order to recover the Money; and the same was shortly after recovered, and still remain in my Hands; Notice Is Hereby Given, that the said Job Wolford, if alive, or Dead, his Executors or Administrators, or any Person or Persons by him or them lawfully Authorized, may have the same Money, upon application to the Subscriber, who practices Law at New Castle

THOMAS M'KEAN

Pennsylvania Journal, No 817, Aug. 3, 1758

NEW YORK WILLS.

In the name of God, Amen. I, Maurits Van Niewenhuysen, of New York, being in perfect memory, but weak in body.

My desire is that Mr Robert French may see me decently buried, out of the sum of money due to me from Sigfriedus Alrichs The remainder to be sent to my uncle Jacob Maurits, in New York.—I leave one half of my house in New York, and one quarter of my houses in Holland, to my Sisters, Elizabeth Van Niewenhuysen and Catrina Lamberts. to my cousin Jeannetti De Hart, a gold ring, to Jacob Maurits and his wife Elizabeth &c

And Isaac Graeveraet, and Mary Lydecker, and Wm Rynier are to have each of them a ring

Dated at Newcastle, November 10, 1709. Witnesses THOMAS JANVIER EDWARD JENNINGS. Proved March 23. 1709/10

"In the name of God, Amen. I Nicholas De Meyer, merchant in New York, being in good health, do make and declare this to be my last will and testament.

I leave to Wilhelmus De Meyer £5 in full of consideration that he is my eldest son

I leave to my wife Sarah, late widow of John Weekstein &c

I leave to my 5 children (by Lydia Van Dyke 1st wife), Wilhelminus, Henricus Anna Catharine, Deborah, and Elizabeth, all the rest of my estate in England or Holland or elsewhere.

Makes his son Henricus, and "my son-in-law Thomas Crundell, husband of my daughter Deborah," and my trusty friend Jacob De Key, executors.

Proved before Richard Ingolsby, March 30, 1692, by oaths of Samue Staats and Jacobus Provost, witnesses

[Nicholas De Meyer was Mayor of New York in 1676. His first wife Lydia was daughter of Hendrick Van Dyke. They were married 1655 Their daughter Anna Katrina De Meyer married 1st Jan Willems Neering, from Bordeaux, and went to New Castle Del. She afterwards married John Williams

Letters of Administration on estate of Ralph Hutchinson, granted to Wm Darvall and James Matthews, Principal creditors June 20. 1682

Will of Ralph Hutchinson, Newcastle, Delaware

Leaves to wife of Captain Nicolls, a bill due him from Daniel Sullivan of Fairfield. Leaves small legacies to Peter Alrich, Wessell Alrich, John Ogle's two sons, James Willis, Thomas Wolaston, John Darby, the daughters of Mr Semphill.

Leaves to his brother Robert Hutchinson, land at Poplar neck Leaves to his uncle, John Redford, 4,000 pounds of tobacco, and a plantation at Christian creek, for use of his sister, if not sold. Leaves to his brother the rest of the Patent that is assinged over to me from Benjamin Nettleship, purchased out of Major Fernwick's Colony.

In case of his death it is to go "to my brother and sister in Old England." Mentions father and mother, but not named. Makes Peter Alrichs, James Williams and Thomas Wolaston, executors

Witnesses. Wm Still, Tyman Slider, Ph Peacock

John Shackerly, New York, July 23, 1679, "merchant." Leaves to wife Sarah "one half of all my right to a Plantation at St Johns creek, and a Plantation at Mispellin creeke in Delaware," The other half to his two children Elizabeth and William, both under 21, makes his wife executor

Witnesses John Coler, Andrew Boucher, Richard Walsh & John West

Francis Cregier "dyed lately intestate at New Castle, in Delaware Bay" Letters of Administration granted to his father, Martin Cregier, and brother-in-law Laurence De Silles July 10 1666, by Gov. R. Nicoll

"Whereas John Lane, late of New Castle, in Delaware, died intestate, leaving no formal will, yet as a nuncupative will, did, before sufficient testimony, appoint George Moore of the same place, to be his executor, of which proof has been made before the court at New Castle" The said George Moore is made administrator, September 19, 1679

Whereas Walter Wharton, of New Castle, in Delaware, died intestate, upon request of his wife Mary, that Edmund Cantwell might be made administrator. It is granted, November 10. 1679

Whereas Wm Tom, late of New Castle, died intestate, upon application of Captain Edmund Cantwell, as creditor.

Letters of Administration granted, November 16. 1679

Catherine, wife of Johannes Van Brugh was the daughter of Anneke Jans. She married 1st Lucas Rodenbergh, 2d Johannes Van Brugh 1662

Elizabeth widow of John Donaldson married Augustine Herman

Johannes Van Brugh, New York, "Merchant," "Being weake in body," leaves to wife Catherine for life or during widowhood, all estate real and personal, &&c

"And whereas our daughter Elizabeth Rodenbergh, now wife of John Donaldson of New Castle in Delaware, has due &c the like proportion as her sister Lucretia Rodenbergh &c from the estate of her father Lucas Rodenbergh &c &c according to terms of a marriage settlement made between the said John Donaldson and Elizabeth his wife, February 24. 1691/2.

And whereas I have purchased next to the land of John Donaldson, the same is left to him"

He also leaves him £5, "in consideration that he is my first-born son"

After his wifes decease the property is to go to the children, Elizabeth Donaldson, "my wifes daughter by a former husband," Helena, wife of Tennis De Kay, Anne, wife of Andrew Gravenraedt, Peter, Catharine, wife of Henry Rensellaer, Johannes, and Mary wife of Stephen Richards

(No witnesses) Proved————1699
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Edward, Viscount Cornbury, Captain-General etc.

To all whom these presents may come. Know ye that at New York the 20th day of March 170⁹⁄₁, Catherine Donaldson, aged about 13 years, and Mary Donaldson, aged about 12 years, children of John Donaldson, deceased, did, before me, choose Peter Van Brugh, of Albany, and Andrew Grevenraet, of New York, to be their guardians, and they are admitted by me

Henry De Meyer. "In the name of God, Amen

I, Henry de Meyer, of the City of New York, being weake and sicke." Mentions wife Agnetie, daughter Lydia.

Mentions his brothers and sisters, William, Anna Kathrina Williams, wife of John Williams, of New Castle, Delaware, Deborah wife of Thomas Tyndall of New York, and Elizabeth wife of Philip Schuyler of New York

Dated November 9. 1692. Witnesses James Evetts, Cornelius Van der Busch, Isaac De Forfst

[Henry (or Hericus) De Meyer was son of Nicholas De Meyer, formerly Mayor of New York

In the name of God, Amen

I Rowley Kane, of the City of New Castle on Delaware, mariner. After all debts are paid I leave to my loving friend, Archileas Lewis, of New York, innkeeper, all my estate, real and personal, and make him executor.

Dated August 4 1757. Witnesses, Joseph Cox, upholsterer, Edward Vanes, Samuel Clarke. (A Power of Attorney is attached.)

Proved, May 9. 1758

Land Office, 3d October, 1774

Zachariah Jones, Thomas Ingram, Robert Marvel, John Bevans & Robert Prettyman enter a Caveat against granting any Patent to Benson Causton for a Tract of Land between the head of Indian

River and the head of Nanticoke on the West side of the main Road formerly supposed to be in Worcester County, Maryland, but on running the Provincial line found to be in Sussex, Alledging that the said was included in their Maryland Patents.

The Account of George Armstrong and Phama his wife, late Phama Bacon Executor and James Windsor Executor of the Testament and last will of John Bacon late of Sussex County, dec^{d} &c &c

Settled 20th July 1809

(Laurel, Del. Original paper in Mrs. George E. Smith's possession.)

Arbitration Bond

I Gusten Lecat of Sussex County and State of Delaware, am held and do stand firmly bound unto George Armstrong and Phamey his wife, Late Phamey Bacon the Widow of John Bacon &c &c

June 21. 1816

Witnesses

Azel Hearn
Avra Melvin

(Laurel, Del. Original paper in Mrs. George E. Smith's possession.)

A letter from 5 M. Town Ireland, dated March 2 1825 from James Armstrong to his sister Mrs. Euphemy Armstrong, widow, Laurel Sussex County Delaware

This is to Certify that the leader (George Armstrong Dureing his time with us, has live a warthy member of the Methodist Church—and may if ocation—Should Demand—be appointed to the Care of a Clafs—Chester Circuit March 15. 1796

John Jarrell

This is to Sertefy to whom it may Consern that George Armstrong is reseaved as an exceptable member of Sosiaty in the methodis episcople Curch

Stras burg Surcet

Ephraim Chambers

This is to Authorize George Armstrong to Exercise the office of an Exorter in the Methodist E Church: Given at a Quarterly Meeting held at the Vally for the Strasburg Circuit on the 2^{d} of June 1798

Thos Ware *P. Elder*

Patent for land to Isaac Moore
142^{2} acres called " Rich Land

January 12. 1796

(Originals belonging to Mrs. Benjamin Hitch, Laurel, Del.)

Bond

Isaac Moore son of Joshua, Sussex County, and Charles Moore son of George

April 15. 1797

Witnesses

Joseph Sewell
George Watkins

Know &c that We Samuel Culver, Ezekiel Noles, and Sarah Noles his wife, Lorither Ryan, and Mary Ryan his wife, Nancy Culver, and Elizabeth Culver, Widow of James Culver &c &c Bound unto Elijah Phillips &c &c

SUSSEX COUNTY DEL.
June 15. 1799

Deed

George Culver of Somerset County and Province of Maryland and John Wainwright of aforesaid County and Province

Witness March 21. 1770
EPHM KING
JOHN ADAMS

Deed

Robert Hitch and Betsy his wife to Charity Moore. Little Creek Hundred next to land of Wm Moore Jr, & bought by Robert Hitch from William Moore Senr

Witness
WM A. ELLEGOOD August 10. 1821
P. G. WOOTTEN

Deed

Levin Ellis of Sussex County to Isaac Moore &&c do appoint Mr David Hall, Mr Isaac Cooper, Captn William Moore, George Bacon my true & lawful attornies &c

Witnesses
WILLIAM MOORE November 10. 1789
JOHN DASHIELL
THOMAS PHIPPEN

Bond

William Records to Levin Ellis. July 10. 1789

Witness
CHARLES MARAIN
THOMAS PHIPPEN SUSSEX CO. DEL

Deed

Zepheniah Waller Somerset Co. Maryland, and Revel Whorton

Witnesses April 6. 1771
WM WINDOR
WM ADAMS

FROM BOOK OF JAMES STAYTON
DATED 1810

"CHRISTMAS DAY 1815"

"An ancient account of Births of the Morriss family the first mentioned Sarah Morriss was my grandmother. Nehemiah Stayton's wife —— was my grandfather he named me after his father old James Stayton one of the first settlers about Saint Johns Town and they are buried near there on the old farm called Staytons Conclusion East Side of the branch near where Thomas Curry now lives"

[The great grandson of the above Thomas Curry now lives on this farm, Oct. 7th, 1908.]

Sarah Morriss daughter of Biavans Morriss and Eliza his w. was B. May the 1st 1723 near Indian River.

Wm Morriss S. of said Biavans & Eliza was B. Feb 9th 1724 or 25

Rebecca Morriss da. as afsd was born Apr. 22nd 1726

Elizabeth	Morriss	da.	as afsd	was b.	Feb 7th 1729
Hannah	"	da.	" "	" "	Mar 17th 1732
Biavans	"	S.	" "	" "	June 18th 1734
Ann	"	da.	" "	" "	Oct 23rd 1736
Mary	"	da.	" "	" "	Sept 2nd 1739
Sidney	"	da.	" "	" "	" 15th 1741

They were all born near Indian River.

Joseph Griffth or Griffin was born in 1724

Paris " " " " " " 7118

1835 Elizabeth Allen dies this year aged about one hundred and ten years acted as midwife until just before her death and as such for nearly eighty years she could see to spin, sew and do good house work until a few months before she died.

Sarah Stayton the afsd Sarah Morris died Sept 8th 1796

Joseph Griffin afsd died July 3rd 1816 aged about 92 yrs

Births

Joseph Marrett son of Samuel Marrett & Jane his wife was born Feb 16th 1763

Elizabeth Marrett wife of said Joseph and da. of Stephen Beauchamp and Nancy his wife was born Mar 22 1788 near Tea Town (now Staytonsville)

Samuel Marrett first son of said Joseph & Elizabeth his wife was b. Jan 3rd 1807

Stephen Marrett 2nd son of said Joseph & Elizabeth Marrett was B. Jan 1st 1809

James Marrett 3rd Son of said Joseph & Elizabeth was born Jan 28th 1811

Sally Ann Marrett first da. & 4th child of said Joseph & Elizabeth was born Feb 10th 1813.

Elizabeth Marrett 2nd da. & 5th child of said Joseph & Elizabeth his wife was born Mar 13th 1815.

Deaths in Baltimore

Miss Ann Mariah Webb da. of Geo. & Margaret Webb de'cd Dec 15th 1820 in Cecil County Maryland at Mr Joseph Gurleys.

Mrs Margaret Webb da. of Mr. Christian Hoopman and Betsy his wife—and wife of Mr. Geo. Webb, deptd this life Dec 17th 1820 in Baltimore Town.

Miss Eliza Webb da. of Geo. Webb & Margaret his wife was married to Joseph Stewart Jan 23rd 1821

James Stayton son of William Stayton and Sally his wife was married to the amiable Miss Rachel Hays da. of Nathaniel Hays Esq. and Rachel his wife Jan 15th 1800

James Stayton afsd was married to his 2nd wife Elizabeth Peake da. of Captain Louis Peake from old England and Elizabeth his wife Nov 4th 1807
Niece to my first wife J. S.

Wm Hays Stayton son of afsd James & Rachel his wife was married to Miss Nancy Griffith Oct 17th 1822 said Nancy is da. of Mr Isaac Griffith and Eliza his wife

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William Johnson son of Wm Johnson was married to Miss Rachel Peake da. of Capt Lewis Peake from old England on Thursday Dec 19th 1816

Births

Nathaniel Hays son of same name was b. Apr 1st 1744 and is buried at Tea Town

Rachel Hays wife of said Nath. Hays and daughter of Jacob Webb and his wife was born Mar 10th 1746

Wm Stayton s. of Nehemiah Stayton and Sarah his wife was born Jan 18th 1752 the year the style was altered.

Sarah Stayton wife of said Wm and da. of Ephraim & Betty Vaughn was B. Feb 3rd 1759 as per Wm Deshields Register will show Folio 91

My mother the afsd Sarah Stayton was born near Laurel or Broad Creek Wading place and was buried 1 mile from Baltimore town but in 1811 I was in Baltimore Town and then the Town extended nearly two hundred yards further out than where she was buried, the Union Bank now stands near the place, Doctor Elisha Perkins now lives on the premises and carries on a Starch factory at the spring.

Deaths

Nathaniel Hays deptd this life on 28th day of May 1810 aged 66 yrs & 57 days

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Rachel Hays afsd Deptd this life Sept the 10th 1831 and is buried beside her husband at Tea Town

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Wm Stayton afsd deptd this life on Sunday the 28th of Nov. 1802 and is buried near the head of Nanticoke River near Middleford at his late dwelling place as was his last wish and their two last children which were twins—he said Wm died of a consumption.

Sarah Stayton afs'd deptd this life Mar 23rd 1782 she died of a consumption and is buried in Spicers Burying ground near Baltimore Town state of Maryland under an appletree Eastward of the graveyard and westward of the springs. The land now belongs to the heirs of Capt Iceland. She died full of faith and of the love of God.

Births

James Stayton 1st Son of Wm Stayton and Sarah his wife was born Oct 30th 1775 Near Saint Johns Town

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Rachel Stayton wife of said James & da. of Nath. Hays and Rachel his wife was born Oct the 9th 1781 at Tea Town Born 5 miles apart only.

Salley Vaughn Stayton 1st child of said James & Rachel Stayton was born Nov 2nd 1800 near St. Johns Town in the same house & Room where her father said James was born and where his great grandfather lived & died.

William Hays Stayton 2nd child of said James and Rachel was born Oct 3rd 1802. John Collins son of Andrew Collins and Martha his wife was born same night.

DELAWARE WILLS.

John Pettyjohn, Sussex County. 1733. Oct. 26

To sons, James, John, William, & Richard
" daughter Isabel Pettyjohn
" grand daughter Rachel Reed
" grandson George Dodd

Probate 1733. Nov. 15

Richard Jacobs, Sussex Co. 1734. April. 22

To wife Hannah (nee Bailey)
" sons Jonathan, Nottingham
" daughter Rachel
" " Elizabeth Kirk
" cousin Leah Nawse
" child my wife now goes with

Probate 1734. May 11

* In Old Days, the argument? shows this should read "grand daughter." [illegible]

Nathaniel Hall. 1734. January 1

To wife Jane
" sons Daniel, David, Peter
" daughters Beersheba, Lydia, Mary

Probate 1734. Feb. 7

Anne May 1736. Sept. 20

To son Jonathan
" daughter Mary, wife of Nehemiah Davis
" " Elizabeth Manlove

Probate 1736. Oct. 4

Henry Draper 1736/7 Feb. 22

To wife Sarah
" sons Henry. Isaac. Avery
" daughter in-law Rebecka Cirwithen
" daughter Sarah, wife of Thomas Davis
" " Elizabeth

Probate 1736/7. March 23

Joseph Russell 1736. Oct 10

To sons Joseph. Jacob. Thomas. Samuel. Ephraim. & Philip
To wife Sarah
" daughter Sarah

Probate 1736. Dec. 4

Jonathan Bailey senr 1737. August 1

To daughter Sarah
" " Mary Naws
" " Hannah Jacobs
" sons. James. & Jonathan

Probate 1737. Sept. 13

Robert West 1736/7 April. 8

To wife Elizabeth
" sons William, John, Wrixam, Robert, Lewis, & Peter.

Probate 1742. Nov. 24

WORCESTER COUNTY WILLS.

William Fassitt 1744 Dec. 14

To wife Naomy
" children William, David, Sophia, Levin, & child my wife now goes with
Had land in Worcester Co. Maryland.
His brother Rous Fassitt

1744. Jan. 26

Rouse Fassitt 1767 —— 25

To wife Esther
" sons Thomas & Rouse
" daughters Esther & Sarah

Probate 1768. April 8

Robert Ingram 1766. April. 26

To wife Jane
" daughter Elizabeth Hickman
" " Jane Laton
" " Priscilla Gey
" " Roshanna Marks
" " Vilator Harper
" sons Joshua, Robert, & Thomas

Probate 1769. Aug 18

William Long 1768. May 27

To brother David
" sons Daniel, Jesse & Samuel
" daughters, Abigal & Molly

Probate June 17

James Long 1743. April 27

To wife Hannah
" son Shadrack

Probate Sept. 25

William Fassitt (son of John) 1768 Aug. 9

To wife Mary
" daughter Sophiah
" son Thomas Simpson Fassitt
" " John
" my brother James.

Probate 1772, May. 15

John Fassitt 1772. Nov. 12

To grandson John, son of William Fassitt
" sons John, Elijah & James
" daughter Elizabeth Tingle
" " Alic
" " Sarah Collier
" " Mary

Probate 1773. April 9

William Rodney 1767 Dec. 3

To wife Mary
" son William
" son in-law Thomas Prettyman, of Worcester Co.
" daughters Hannah Marvil & Comfort Marvil

Probate Oct. 19

David Long 1782. Oct. 24

To wife Abigail. (son David dec^{d})
" sons Samuel, Elihu, Hampton, Solomon & Coulburn.
To grandson Samuel Long, son of William
" daughter Ann Gray.

Probate 1783. July. 21

SUSSEX COUNTY WILLS.

John Prettyman 1754 Feb. 23

To son William, plantation, "Tower Hill," left by my grandfather John Prettyman
To son John part of Tower Hill." I had of my father William Prettyman
To son Perry
" daughters Ann. Sarah, Elinor, Elizabeth
Probate 1754 March 12

William Woolf 1759. Sept 16

To my Mother Sarah Brooksby
" " brothers Rice, Jonathan, John
" " sister Naomy Darby, wife of Sanders Darby

Abraham Wiltbank 1761 June 2

To wife Naomi
" nephew Isaac
" " Abraham Jr.
Probate 1761. June. 25

Samuel Rowland Jr 1765. Dec. 15

To wife Elizabeth
" children John, James, Samuel, Elizabeth, William & Comfort
" My brother Wrixam Lewis
Probate 1766 May 13

William Prettyman 1751 April 25

To wife Sarah
" son Burton Prettyman
" daughters Sarah & Magdalen
" " Naomi Boyce & Margaret Houston
" brother Robert
Probate 1766. 9. 13

John Cirwithin Prime Hook 1777 March 15

To wife Nancy
" daughters Sarah, Mary, Rebecca, Betty, & Martha
My brother Caleb
Probate 1777. May 15

Naomy Wiltbank 1770 Sept 22

To Naomi daughter of John Shankland
" John son " " "
" Ann Crapper wife of Levin
" Comfort wife of Edward Wright
Probate 1771 Feb. 2

Francis Woolf 1785 May 8

"My sister Comfort wife of John Orr
" brothers Reece, William, Daniel, Benjamin, David, Henry, & George
My sisters Esther & Sarah
" father Reece Wolf

Probate 1785. June 17

Jacob Walker 1786 Feb. 7

To wife Martha
" "David son of my brother Thomas"
" "Mary daughter " " "

Probate Feb. 28

George Hill 1786 Nov. 20

To son John "land from my grandfather &c"
" sons, Virden, Levi, & Mitchell
" daughters Saney & Margot
" wife Polly

1786, December 29

Alice Rowland 1787 June 24

To daughter Elizabeth
' son John
" sisters Patience Parker & Naomy Parker
" brother Peter Parker

Probate 1787 June 27

Elisha Long 1787. Aug 15

To son Daniel H.
" " Elijah & David
" wife Mary
" daughter Leah Speer's 4 children, Polly L, Sally. Nancy Wilson, Hetty H.
To daughters Rebecca Morgan & Sarah Johnson
" grand daughter Sally Long Johnson
" grandson Elisha Long, son of Daniel

Probate March 6

Thomas Prettyman 1790 Feb. 26

To wife Elizabeth
" sons, William, George, Burton, Robert, & Thomas.
" daughters, Comfort Rogers, & Ann Morris, Mary Ingram, & Patience Nolds, Tabitha Morris & Sarah Marvel, Agnes Williams, & Isabel Pepper, and Hessy Prettiman

Probate 1790. Oct. 26

James Thompson 1789 Nov. 4

To daughter Elizabeth Sanders & her son William.
" my son William
" " grandsons James & William Thompson.
" " grand daughters Naomi West & Margaret Rhoads
" " " Margaret Prettyman & Penelope Prettyman
" " " Elizabeth Parker

Probate 1791 Jan 26

Caleb Cirwithin 1790 May 7

To sons Isaac & Samuel
" daughters Sarah & Coda

Probate 1792. March 2

David Long Senr 1785 April 25

To sons David, Benjamin, John, Armwell.
" daughters Mary Hutson & Elizabeth Newport
" " Nancy Scudder, & Rachel Halloway
" " Myrom Gray, & Joyce Chamberlain

Probate May 4

John Wiltbank 1791. March 21

To wife Mary
" my eldest son Cornelius, &c "from my late honoured father Cornelius
To Grand daughter Comfort Wiltbank
" son-in-law Adam Hall, husband of my daughter Elizabeth
" grand daughter Margaret Kollock
" sons John & James
" daughter Mary Shankland

Probate 1792 July 30

Will of Lawrence Reiley.

To wife Grace Reiley
" son Lawrence
" Youngest son John
Date ?

William Clark's Will. Sussex Co upon Delaware Bay—Gent

To son William and his espoused Wife Rebeckah Cowrtier
Grand Daughter Elizabeth wife of Daniel Brown
Grand Daughter Mary Pemberton
Son-in-law Thomas Pemberton
Wife Honnour Clark
Brother-in-Law Walter Huling & friend Thomas Fisher to assist wife as Executrix

Witness
Jos Booth. Robt Burton
Tomas Greenwood Probate July 24, 1705

Luke Watson Senr Esqr of Lewis Town in the County of Sussex in Ye Territoryes of the Province of Pennsylvania

To sons Luke, John, Samuell, and Isaac
" Daughter Elizabeth now the wife of Anthony Morris Senr of Philada

My wife Sarah and my daughter Mary that I had by my wife Margery daughter of Capt Henry Smith
Executrix Wife Sarah
Overseers My son-in-law Richard Paynter and Justice Philip Russell both of Lewis Towne

Witness
PHILIP RUSSELL DOROTHY GIVANS
SARAH RUSSELL ANNA CORBETT
ROGER CORBETT

Date 1705

James Sangster of the Town of Lewis 25th Day of May 1705

To children James, John, William, and Margery 1 shilling
" Wife Mary Sangster my estate both real and Personal, whether The Same lye in Maryland or elsewhere
Executrix my wife Mary Sangster

Witness
PHILIP RUSSELL
JOSEPH RUSSELL

Elizabeth Lillington of the County of Sussex being one of the Three Loer Countyes of Delaware Bay, Widow

This first Day of December Seventeen-hundred & five
To My Mother Mary Watson
" " Child Mary Lillington
" " Father &c
Executor My father Luke Watson

Witness
JOHN HILL
JOHN WATSON
SAML WATSON

John Depray of Sussex County Yeoman

To My wife Mary Depray
" " Son William
" " Son John
Brother-in-law John Crew, Trustee
Sealed ye 30th day of Aug 1706

Witness
JOHN CREW
JOHN FUTCHER
ROGER CORBETT

John Walton of Sussex County November 9th 1706

To Son John Plantation on north side of Pocomke River
" " George " where I now live
" " William & John Water Mill at the head of Cedar Creek
" daughter Mary

To Son George
" daughter Alice
" Grand Daughter Elizabeth Draper
" daughter Anne Draper
" Son-in-law Alexander Draper
Sons to be at age at 18
Wife Percy Walton
Allowing my Antient Mother-in-law a good and sufficient maintainace so long as she liveth
Trustees Alex Draper and friend Nicholas Granger

Witness
JOSEPH HICKMAN—THOMAS MANLOVE. MARKS MANLOVE

Thomas Finivich The Twenty-second day of March the Seventeenth Year of the Reigne of our Soveraigne Lady Anne Queen over England &c Anno Dom. 1707/8

To son James
" Jacob Kollock
" Edward Stretcher and Robert Clifton &c land between John Hepburn & Jacob Kolocks fence with half of ye Seavana Belonging to me next to Lewis Towne
Land next to John Paynters to be sold
To Edward Stretcher and his wife Margaret, my daughter land on Prestons Branch I bought of Richard Paynter
Son James Finivich being 13 August past
Daughter Anne Clifton
" Margaret Hepburn
Grandson Thomas Clifton
Grand daughter Sarah Clifton

Executors
SAMUEL DAVIS
JOHN HEPBURN

Witness
PHILIP RUSSELL
JOHN HEPBURN
JOHN COE

Isaac Wiltbanck of Sussex Co. Yeoman, Reigne of our Soveraigne Lady Anne Queen over England &c Anno Dom March 19 1707/8

To wife Elizabeth
" Sons Samuell, Isaac, and Cornelius
" Mary Gray the ⅓ of my wifes portion that I was to receive of the Estate of my Father-in-law Samuel Gray
Wife, Capt John Hill & son Cornelius executors

Witness
JOHN REA
SUSANNA PETTION
JOHN HEPBURN

William Nuikomb, Sussex Co.

To William Light &c land left me by my Father Babtist Nêukomb
" Brother-in-law Joseph Brabon & to his wife Anne Brabon, my sister &c

To Brother Daniell Nuikomb
" Son of Daniell & Anna Brabon whose name is Daniell
" Child my wife is now going with
" wife Elizabeth
Wife executrix brother in law Richard Dobson Overseer
April 3. 1708

Witness

THOMAS FISHER
FRANCIS DONOVAN
WILLIAM LIGHT

Luck Watson Sussex Co. Yeoman, October 10. 1707

To Grand daughter Mary Lillington land on Prime Hook
" brother Samuell's son Luck
" Wife
If all of the above without issue the Cosen Luke to take possession
To Brother John
Wife executrix. Brother Sam[ll] trustee

Witness

HANNAH CROSSWELL
RICHARD DAVIS, SAMUEL WATSON

William Mason Sussex Co. Gent Aprill 5. 1708

Torloh Senewe and Toney Johnston executors
To Torloh and Toney &c.
" My son-in-law Richard Whely plantation in Maryland

Witness

JAMES his × mark HOLLAND
WILL his × mark BUCHER
JOHN MUCLAH

Torloh Senew April 20. 1708. County of Sussex

Wife Mary & John Crew to be executors
To Daughter after decease of Wife

Witness

CHRISTIAN HARMONSON
JOHN MUCLOH
ANABALOW her × mark CREW

William Stapleton Senr Sussex Co. Planter. August 12. 1708

Son James Plantation I now live on
" Son William &c
" Son James

Wife Anne — Wife executrix
Daughter Elenor
Daughter Anne — JAMES SEATON } Over Seares
Daughter Mary — MATTHEW PARKER }
" Elizabeth

Witness
CHARLES HEAYNES
his
RICHARD × HILL
mark
mark
JEAN E HAYNES

Edward Page Sussex Co. Planter 20th 5th mo. 1708

All to daughter Elizabeth Page
John Miers executor

Witness
PHILLIP RUSSELL
JOSEPH RUSSELL
mark of
MARY M MIERS

John Hill Sussex Co. Gent

To my Boy Anthony Haverley
" Nehemiah Field &c
" Cosen Richard Hill of London in Old England son of my Brother Richard Hill of the sd London &c
Residue to wife Elizabeth Hill. executrix
March 1 169 6/7

Witness
THOMAS GROVES
EDWARD CARY — Probated Dce 29, 1708
his
ABRAHAM P PARSLEY
mark

Christian Harmanson Sussex Co Feb 10th 1708/9

To son Harmon Harmanson land where I now live, lot of Jacob Colluck &c and of Mrs Hon^r Clark &c that my sd son Harmanson shall & do confirm to Henry Hudson Junr &c and also confirm to his Brother John Harmanson land bought of Wm Would
Daughter Mary land next to Thomas Powell & Walter Evins
To friend Allexander Molleston &c
" Son in law William Butcher
" Sister in law Mary Crague gowns & Pety coat which was of her Dec^d Sisters my wives own makeing
To Mary Cupman of Somerst Co. Maryland &c
Harman the eldest son to be bound over by my Execu^tr unto ye Reverend Mr John Hampton & to his worthy & Truely vertuous wife Mad^m Mary

John to be bound to his uncle John Dreadin. Mary to Mrs Gennot Mills

Executers
Mr Wm Shankland
Mr Edward Crague
Mr Alexander Molleston

Witness
MATTH SCARBROUGH
SEL HOPKINS SENR JOHN HALL
JENNETT HOPKINS

John Burton

To Samuel Burton
" William Burton Senr
" Benjamin Burton
" Thomas Burton
" Joseph Burton
" Stratton Burton
" Jacob Burton
" Woolsey Burton
" Ann Bagwell
" Frances Kanning
" Aminadab Hangar
" all my brothers and sisters children
Brother William Executor

Testio
WILLIAM BAGWELL
signum
THOMAS S GEAR Date Tenth day of Febury 1708/9
signum
MARY × OAKEY Probate March 10 1708

Robert Drummard County of Sussex 9 Day of March 1717–18

To wife Elizabeth
" son John all my Land in the County of Accomach in the Colloney of Virginia

Witness
ROBERT WEST Wife executrix assisted by
KATHERINE DAVIS William Godwin
THOMAS CALE John Roades
Probated May 22. 1718

Andrew Thompson Sussex Delaware

To his wife
" brother John Thompson &c that I brought from Ireland
" his three children Brother John executor

Witness Date April 8. 1718
JOHN ALLAN Probate June 16. 1718
ESTHER THOMSON
JOSEPH SHANKLAND

James Seattoun Yeoman. County of Sussex January 1. 1717

To Elias Baily
To Sarah Baily wife of Elias &c that appertained to my deceased wife
" Seattoun Baily son of said Sarah Baily
" Jane Wiltbank the wife of Cornelius Wiltbank Esq
" Wife Elizabeth. executor & her uncle Cornelius Wiltbank, Joseph Booth Senr and Preserved Coggeshall assist

Witness
NATH^LL STARR
NICHOLAS GREEN
JOHN MURPHEY

Probate Feb 4. 1717

Thomas Harford County of Sussex 25 Aug. 1709

To wife Rebekah
" son in law Preserved Coggeshall

Witness
PHILIP RUSSELL
JOHN MIERS
JOSEPH RUSSELL

Probated Dec 14. 1716

Adam Johnson County of Sussex Yeoman

To son James my three houses and lands Thereunto being in the City of London in South Brittain & no part of my estate in America.
To wife Martha ⅓ in America
" son Isaac Johnson
" son John Kiphaven Johnson
" daughter Elizabeth. To be at age at 16

Witness
JOHN COE
JAMES SANGSTER
ROGER CORBETT

Wife executor
Justice James Walker Overseer
Dated December 16 1713
Probated Dec. 29 1713

Walton Huling of Lewis, County of Sussex

To wife Martha
" daughter Elizabeth
" Esther

Wife executrix
Dated Sept 12. 1705
Probated Aug 3. 1717

Witness
SAMUEL DAVIS
JONATHAN BAILEY
REBECCA CLARK

Thomas Davock Sussix County in the Terotoryes of Pencololoauy

To wife Elizabeth
" daughter Mary
" " Naomy

To my three orphin children & namely Robert Bracy, Pernelopy Richardson & John Pride
To sister Alice White
" two Grand Daughters
" son David Stewart
" son Samuel Stewart
I give two acres of Land to this Parish for the Libberty to Build a church lying on the North side of the long Bridge Branch where now the school house stands
To son Thomas Davock — Wife executrix
Witness — Date January 27 1718
Wm Smith — Probate Feb 25 1718/19
Jane Stephenson
Wm Darter

William Simmons County of Sussex Yeoman Aug 19 1717

To wife Jean all real estate
" Jno Coursey son of Rachel Peteel Simmons &c
Witness — Wife executor
Magdelean Kolluck
Jacob Kolluck Jr — Probate March 21 1718
J. W. White

Richard Hill Cedar Creek County of Sussex Yeoman Feb 19 1718/19

To wife May Hill
" son Robert — Probate March 1. 1719
" son Johnston
" Daughter Ruth
" " Mary
" " Elizabeth
" " Sarah
Witness
Mary Himmons
Sarah Clendinen
Thos. May Jr

Matthew Parker Lewes Town &c Yeoman July 14. 1718

To wife Elizabeth
" daughter Naomy
Trustees John Roads
Witness — Wrixam White
W. White
Anderson Parker — Probated May 5. 1719
John Bywater — & the 16th day of Aprill 1719

Nathaniel Starr Sussex County

To son Richard Plantation whereon I now live
" son Nathaniel Plantation called Wheeler Hall
" daughter Sarah — Wife Mary Starr executrix
" " Ann — dated April 8th 1719
Witness
Elizabeth Davock
Walter Reed — Proved April 1719
Wm Darter

Thomas Smith County of Sussex

To son Thomas
Place called Shoulsters Inheritance to be equally divided among my daughters
Robert Lodge & Joseph Eldridge and my daughter Rebeckah Smith executors — Dated April 25. 1719

Witness
MARY BALDREY — Probate May 30. 1719
THOMAS BATE

William Aylif County of Sussex Yeoman

To Ebenezer Jones
" Wife Margaret ⅓
" brothr Joseph

Witness — Eber Jones executor
GEORGE DODD — Date April 11 1719
JOHN CATHELL — Probate May 13 & June 6 1719
THOMAS BATE

Thomas Preteman Senr County of Sussex Yeoman

To son Thomas land I had of my brother William Pretteman lying upon Back Creek
To son Robert
" daughter Elizabeth — Wife executor
" brother William — Date May 17 1719
" " John — Proved July 17. 1719
" wife Comfort

Witness
HUGH VERDIN
ELIZABETH WALKER
ANDREW PARKER

Edward Craig of Sussex Co. Yeoman Sept 10. 1717

To son William land in White Oak Neck
" son Robert Plantation whereon I now live
" daughter Mary
to Elizabeth daughter of Robert Craigue
" Jean Diall
" Alexander Macullah

Witness — William & Robert Craigg executors
DANIEL HOSMAN — Probate January 8. 1717
ELIZABETH GRAY
DAVID GRAY

Wrixam White County of Sussex Gent. Dec 24. 1719

To wife Hannah all the estate at her disposal for the bringing up of my children

Witness JACOB KOLLOCK — Probate Feb 2. 1719
JACOB KOLLOCK, JR
JAMES WHITE

Joseph Burton Sussex County November 19. 1719

To wife Elizabeth all lands until son William is one and twenty
" second son Cornelius
" daughter Ann Catherine &c when 16
" third son Jacob — Brother Woolsey to see Will carired out
Wife executrix

Witness
PHILL ASKIE
PAUL WAPLES — Probate Feb 25 1719/20
FRANCES BAGWELL

Daniel Gray County of Sussex Yeoman Jany 10 1719

To wife Elizabeth
" son Samuel
" brother Thomas
" Alexander Macullah

Witness — Wife executrix
ROBERT CRAIGE
RUTH CRAIGE — Probate Feb 19 1719/20
JAMES WHITE

Francis Williams Senr County of Sussex

To son John
" " Henry
" " Francis
" daughter Mary
" wife Elizabeth
" son Nicholas land on Swan Creek
" daughter Comfort — Wife executor
date Feb 16 1716

Witness — Probate March 28 1720
ELIZABETH AINSWORTH
THOMAS BATE

Robert Clifton County of Sussex Yeo May 10 1720

To daughter Sarah
" son Thomas
" " Benjamin — Wife executrix
" Wife Anne

Witness
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EDWARD NAWS
JAMES WHITE

SUSSEX COUNTY.

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Solomon West & Elizabeth Parker Widow & Relict of Matthew Parker married by Justice Anderson Parker July 29 1719

Witnesses

ANDERSON Parker
her
ELENOR × BYWATER
mark
JOHN BYWATER
ROBERT WEST
her
ELESEBETH × WEST
mark
MARY ATKINSON
his
JOHN × SHOLTMAN
mark
THO WALLACE
his
HANNAH × BALEY
mark
JAMES SIMSON
ROBERT CORNWELL
his
HUGH × VIRDIN
mark

George Walton Batchelor and Hester Hulling daughter of Walton Hulling late of this County Gent. Deceas^d by Jonathan Bailey Esq

JONATHAN BAILY
SARAH FISHER
MARY ATTKINSON
MARTHA HULLING
JONATHAN MANLOVE
ANN DRAPER
ALICE WALKER
MARY WALTON
NATHANEL HALL

John Nutter
Will Fisher
Nicholas Green
Mary Walton
Cornelius Wiltbank
Elias Fisher
John Hepburn

James Seaton Widower and Elizabeth Fisher Spinster

Witnesses
Richard Paynter
Cornelius Wiltbank
Jane Wiltbank
Nicholas Green
Joseph Booth Jr
Sarah Fisher
Jabe Maude Fisher
Jane Brock
Samᵗ Davis Jr
Mary Westcot
Philip Russell
Margret Paynter
Simon Kolloch

Daniel Eyre to Elizabeth Seattoune Sept 16. 1718

Witnesses
Cornelius Wiltbank
Jane Wiltbank
Margratt Booth
Abigal Varkirk
Mary Miers
Sarah Fisher
Esther Walton
Alice Coe
Patience Walton
Wᵐ Coe
John May
George Walton
Wᵐ Spencer
Thomas May
Peter Lucas
James Miers
John his mark × Hues

Jacob Kolluch Jr Batchlr & Alice Shepard Spinster in ye house of Jacob Kolloch Senr by Alexander Mollestone Esq
Sept 11. 1718

Witnesses
Alexander Molleston
Magdelean Kolluck

W. White
Richard Hinman
Samll Davis Junr
Tho Wallace
Archibald Homes
Solomen West
Mary Miers
Abigail Wiltbank

Stephen Warrington widower & Mary Fittiman Spinster at the home of said Warrington Sept. 29th 1718

Witnesses

her
Elisabeth × Williamson
mark
James Walker
William Simmons
John Futcher
Joseph Feddeman
hi
William × Williamson
mark
his
Hugh × Virgin
mark
John Hill
Oliver Stockly
Jannet Simmons
Elizabeth Walker
Temperance Stockley

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Anderson Parker
Comfort Kollock
her
Elizabeth P Parker
mark
Mary Hall
William Molleston
Mary Simson
Mary Molestone
his
Jacob [K Kolloch
mark
Jacob Kollock Jr
Peter Adams
W. White
Richard Hinman
Matthew Parker

BIBLE RECORD.

Darby

Ephraim Darby was born April 17. 1699 Elizabeth his wife was born November 8th 1706

Sanders Darby son of Ephraim Darby & Elizabeth his wife was born December 18th 1726

William Darby son of Ephraim Darby & Elizabeth his wife was born November 15th 1728 and Dyed Januwary 17th Insuing.

William Darby son of Ephraim Darby and Elizabeth his wife was born May 15th 1730 and Dyed July 5th 1742.

Ephraim Darby son of Ephraim Darby and Elizabeth his wife was born February 14th 1733.
He Dyed November 1769

Marshall

Jacob Marshall, the son of Jacob Marshall and Mary Wovs, born April 9, 1737, at three o'clock in the morning, Sunday

Isaac Marshall, the son of Jacob Marshall and Mary Wovs, was born in the year 1738, September 27, on Thursday

Abraham Marshall, the son of Jacob Marshall and Mary Wovs, was born in the year 1741, on February the fourth day about one oclock in the morning, Thursday

Bathsheba Marshall, the daughter of Jacob Marshall and Mary Wovs, was born in the year 1743, on December the 25, about four oclock in the morning, on Sunday.

Moses Marshall, the son of Jacob Marshall and Mary Wovs, was born March the seventh day, 1745, on Friday, about seven oclock in the morning

William Marshall, the son of Jacob Marshall and Mary Wovs, was born March 1748, on the 28th day, about ten oclock at night on Monday.

November 30, 1751, John Marshall was born, the son of Jacob and Mary, Monday at three oclock in the morning

Mary, daughter of Jacob and Mary Marshall, born November 12, 175—

Aaron Marshall the son of Jacob Marshall and Mary Marshall, was born 7 July, 1758

29 December, 1757 Elizabeth Davis was born, the daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Davis.

And departed this life 10 July 1828, aged seventy years and six months and twelve days: was married to Aaron Marshall Senr on the seventeenth day of February, 1789.

Jacob Marshall, the son of Aaron Marshall and Elizabeth Marshall, was born 27 December 1780, at 15 minutes apast 1 oclock in the morning.

Samuel Marshall, the son of Aaron Marshall and Elizabeth Marshall was born November the ---th day, 1782 about 6 oclock in the morning

Moses Marshall, son of Aaron Marshall and Elizabeth Marshall, was born the 15th day of November, 1784, on Friday, about 11 oclock in the morning

Martha Marshall, the daughter of Aaron Marshall and Elizabeth Marshall, was born the 29th day of August 1786, about 11 oclock in the morning

16 November, 1788, was born Mary Marshall, the daughter of Aaron Marshall and Elizabeth Marshall

30, December, 1790, was born Aaron Marshall the son of Aaron Marshall and Elizabeth Marshall, on Thursday, about 7 oclock in the morning

20. April, 1793, was born Davis Marshall, the son of Aaron and Elizabeth Marshall, on Saturday night, about 10 oclock.

22, February, 1796, was born Hester Marshall, the daughter of Aaron Marshall and Elizabeth Marshall.

15 August, 1796, Hester Marshall, the daughter of Aaron Marshall and Elizabeth Marshall, departed this life

29 August 1797, was born Isaac Marshall, the son of Aaron Marshall and Elizabeth Marshall, and departed this life in one month and one night after

22 October 1798 was born Elizabeth Marshall the daughter of Aaron Marshall and Elizabeth Marshall, and departed this life three weeks after

Jacob Marshall son of Aaron Marshall and Elizabeth Marshall, departed this life the 1st day of September, 1800

Jacob Marshall the son of Aaron Marshall and Elizabeth Marshall was born April 9th 1801, about 9 oclock at night.

John Marshall son of Aaron Marshall and Elizabeth Marshall was born November the seventh 1805 before breakfast.

Aaron Marshall Senr died July 18th 1839, over 81 years old. Entered by his grandson Samuel Marshall

1 June 1766 Abraham Marshall was born, the son of Isaac Marshall and Hannah Marshall

William Marshall, the son of John Marshall and Elizabeth Marshall was born November — day 1774 on Friday

John Marshall son of William Marshall and Kitty his wife (Catherine Maull) born November 10th 1802

Eliza Rodney West daughter of William and Mary West was born September 29th 1806

Burton Marshall son of John and Eliza Rodney West, was born May 23d 1824 at 3 in the afternoon

William Marshall son of John and Eliza Marshall was born July 5th 1825 at midnight

Charles M. Marshall son of John and Eliza Marshall was born July 14th 1826 at 7 in the morning

Helen Mar Marshall daughter of John and Eliza Marshall was born August 4th 1829 at 7 oclock in the evening

Elizabeth R. Marshall daughter of John and Eliza Marshall was born June 2. 1843

William West father of Eliza Rodney West was born October 15th 1771, and died December 1. 1816

Mary, wife of William West was born July 30th 1776, and died April 28 1845

John Marshall was married to Eliza Rodney West September 3d 1823, by John Finley. He departed this life March 8 1868

William Marshall, the father of John Marshall, was born November 30th 1776, and died June 21 st1850 at ¼ past 10 P. M.

Catherine Maull, wife of William Marshall died November 27 1874, aged 95 years

James W Marshall son of John and Eliza R. Marshall was born November 13 1832 at 11 P. M.

Elizabeth Marshall daughter of John and Eliza R. Marshall was born August 6, 1834 at 6 P. M.

William Marshall son of John and Eliza R. Marshall was born April 26. 1836. He died March 2d 1866

David A. son of John and Eliza R. Marshall was born September 28th 1838

Frances Elmira Boggs Marshall daughter of John and Eliza R. Marshall was born December 5th 1840, and died November 15 1845

West

Elizabeth Lewis, daughter of Peter and Grace, his wife, was born November 1 between 1 and 2 in the morning, A. D. 1697
Died March 26, A. D. 1751

Robert West, husband of Elizabeth Lewis, died October 23 A. D. 1742

William son of Robert and Elizabeth West was born April 15th 1720, and died April 4 1743

William West, son of aforesaid William, was born February 28, 1743

John West, 2d son of Robert and Elizabeth West was born August 16. 1723
John died November 26, 1765

Ann Prettyman, wife of said John West was born October 14th 1731, and died December 12 1760

John West and Ann Prettyman were married January 10th 1749

Elizabeth West, daughter of John and Ann West was born August 4, 1751

Joseph West, son of John and Ann, his wife, was born April 22 1755

Comfort West, daughter of John West and Ann, was born November 25 1757

John West, son of John West and Hannah his wife, was born October 29, 1764

Wrexham West 3d son of Robert West, and Elizabeth, his wife was born 30 July 1726 Died March 27. 1777

Wrexham West and Ann, his wife, were married February 13, 1752
Ann West died 1766

Mary West daughter of Wrexham and Ann West, was born December 31, 1752

Benjamin West son of Wrexham West and Ann his wife, was born May 8 1757 Died May 8, 1771

John West son of Wrexham and Ann his wife was born November 10, 1756
Died March 20. 1772

Elihu West son of Wrexham and Ann West was born April 1, 1758
He died September 13, 1759

Ann West daughter of Wrexham and Ann his wife was born February 19, 1766

Robert West 4th son of Robert and Elizabeth West was born September 16. 17—

Joseph West 5th son of Robert and Elizabeth West was born September 22 1728
Died July 13, 1768

Lewis West 6th son of Robert and Elizabeth West was born January 16, 1732

Esther Stokly, daughter of Benjamin and Patience Stokly was born October 19, 1735 Married to Lewis West, February 15, 1761

Sarah, daughter of Lewis and Esther, was born December 24, 1761.
Died October 30. 1762

Robert, son of Lewis and Esther West, was born August 16, 1763
Died May 2, 1833

Lydda West, daughter of Lewis and Esther West was born May 9, 1766
Died August 8, 1854

Hessie West daughter of Lewis and Esther West was born June 12, 1768

Wrexham Lewis West, son of Lewis and Esther West was born November 2. 1772

Peter West 7th son of Robert and Elizabeth West was born October 28, 1734
Died May 8, 1770

Ruth, daughter of Peter and Comfort West was born November 19, 1765

Lewis West died February 26 1795 Hessie, his wife, died February 25, 1775

Benjamin West, son of Wrexham and Ann, married Mary, daughter of William and Betty Vaughan August 16. 1776

Betsy West, daughter of Benjamin and Mary West was born October 4, 1776
Married 1st Samuel Tingley, 2d Robert Burton.
Died June 30, 1825

Eldest Branch of the West Family

Robert West mentioned in the previous record came to Lewes Del, from England, (date unknown). d. October 23 1742
Married Elizabeth daughter of Peter and Grace Lewis, who was born November 1, 1697 d. March 26. 1751

William 1st son of Robert and Elizabeth West b. April 15. 1720. d. April 4, 1743

William 2d, son of above William & ——— West b February 27, 1743. m. Esther, daughter of Jacob & Hannah Art.

Issue

Wrexham. William, Jacob, John M, & Bailey Art, Elizabeth. b. March 13 1774. m Caleb Rodney — — — d. December 10. 1842.
Hetty b m McMain. d.
Hannah b m Wiltbank d
Wrexham son of William & Esther West. m. Rebecca Conwell d.

Issue

Joseph son of Wrexham & Rebecca West b — — — m Lydia McIlvaine d
Jacob son of William & Esther West b — — — m d
Elizabeth daughter of William & Esther West b — — — m Clifton d
Hannah daughter of William & Esther West b — — — m Wilson d— — —

James M, son of Joseph & Lydia West b m d
Joseph H. son of Joseph & Lydia West b. m. d.
Hetty M. daughter of Joseph & Lydia West b May 27. 1776 m John Ware d January 14. 1825
Mary F. daughter of Joseph & Lydia West

Jacob, son of Rebecca & Wrexham West b m Clara Brooks d

Issue

Jacob b.	m		d
Samuel b.	m		d
William b.	m		d
Rebecca b	m	Hudson	d
Mary b	m	Wolfe	d
Elizabeth b.	m		d
Hetty b	m		d
Sally b	m		d

William son of William & Esther West b July 15. 1763 m Mary Westley d m 10. 1. 1816
Mary Westley b 1766. June 30

Issue

John son of William & Mary West b. M d
James son of William & Mary West. b. 10. 18. 1795 m Rebecca Hazzard d Nov. 16. 1859
Samuel son of William & Mary West b. M. Rhoda Duffield. d
William son of William & Mary West b. M Ruth Duffield. d
Bailey son of William & Mary West b. 11. 24. 1808 m Mary Ann daughter of Arthur West, d Feb 22. 1879
Mary, daughter of William & Mary West b m Hazzard d

Eliza R daughter of William & Mary West b 9. 29. 1806 m John Marshall d 7–22–1882

Rebecca daughter of William & Mary West b. m Warrington d

Emily Cornelia daughter of William & Mary West b m

John 2d son of the first Robert West & Elizabeth Lewis his wife. b August 16 1723 m Ann Prettymen d November 26. 1765

Wrexham son of Robert & Elizabeth West July 30 1726 m Ann [illegible] Feb 13. 1752 d 3. 27. 1777

Robert son of Robert & Elizabeth West b 9–16. 17—

Lewis West, 6th son of Robert & Elizabeth was born January 16. 1732/3

m Esther daughter of Benjamin & Patience Stockley, February 25. 1761

Esther his wife was born Oct 19. 1735 she died Feb 25. 1775

Lewis died Feb 26. 1775

They were buried in one grave

Children of Lewis & Esther West

Sarah b Dec 24. 1761. d Oct 30. 1762

Robert b. Aug 16. 1763. m Naomi Thompson March 1787 by Rev. Matthew Wilson at Rehoboth

Robert died May 2 1833

Naomi died Sept 29. 1804. Aet. 39 yrs. & 10 days

Lydia daughter of Lewis and Esther b May 9 1766 m Capt Robt. Davenport d Aug 8 1854

Hessie b June 12. 1768

Wrexham Nov. 2. 1772

Children of Robert & Naomi West

Lewis b Oct 13. 1789. m Elizabeth daughter of Richard & Comfort Howard Dec 19. 1810

Elizabeth b. April 25. 1790.

Lewis d Feb 25. 1857

Elizabeth d. Feb. 22. 1865

Richard L. son of Lewis & Naomi West b. June 10. 1794. M d July 22 1843

James F. son of Lewis & Naomi b Feb 14. 1799 d Feb 26. 1822

Margaret, daughter of Lewis & Naomi West died May 5 1860. b March 20. 1796

George H. West son of James & Rebecca m 1st Matilda Burton, 2d Sally G. Williams, 3d Caroline M. Parker

William Mustard b July 23 1759 died in Ohio

Hessy daughter of John & Lydia Mustard b Feb 10. 1761 M.—— Coulter d April 1827

John son of John & Lydia Mustard b Aug 23. 1763 m d May 21. 1806

Mary, daughter of John & Lydia Mustard b. March 10. 1766. m Martin d Nov. 20. 1807

Ann Stockley was a sister to Esther who married [illegible] West [illegible] daughter. Their father [illegible]

Ruth daughter of John & Lydia Mustard b. Nov 4. 1768 m. Hudson d Dec. 27. 1800

Samuel son of John & Lydia Mustard b March 6. 1771. Died in Ohio

David son of John & Lydia Mustard b Aug 24. 1773 m Lydia Martin widow d May 31. 1838

David Mustard & Lydia Martin, widow, nee Hopkins, were married February 2 1804

Children

Cornelius Hopkins b. Dec 30. 1804 m. Margaret H. West. daughter of Lewis and Elizabeth West
d. Jan. 26. 1870
Elizabeth b. Jan 20. 1809. m. Hilliard Hazzard & moved to Indiana.
d. Dec. 15. 1841
Hetty b. Sept 18. 1812. m. Wm S. Hall, of Ocean View, Del.
d April 1896
Mary b Jan 24. 1811. m John S. Vaughn
d April 16. 1858
Lydia b April 20. 1807 m. Wm Perry
d March 1863
Alice b May 23. 1815 m Capt Alf. K Hail
d Nov 9, 1886, at Milford

David L. Mustard son of the Rev Cornelius H. Mustard and Margaret H. his wife b Sept 22. 1835
m Martha A. daughter of Capt Nathaniel Tunnell of Blackwater, Del. Jan 14. 1861

PENNSYLVANIA ARCHIVES.

Market Street Ferry, Wilmington.

D. Bush to Thomas Hopkinson, 1745

Wilmington July 5

Dr. Sir

You may believe when I tell you, that your Letter of 29th last month has given particular satisfaction in that of your Sympathising with my misfortune, and let the success in what I request of you prove my desire or not, I shall ever retain a respect for your Generous Disposition.

The affair I have requested has oblig'd my keeping it private, fearing some opposition.

However, I have learned the footing the present Ferry is kept on, which is as follows: This County sixty years agoe, particular on the Creeks & River Side, was settled by Dutch & Sweads which seldom went from their Settlements, and when they had occasion to cross the Creeks, their usual method was to Swim over their Horses while the cross'd in a Canoe; between forty and fifty years agoe, the English beginning to setle and make a figure in the County, and perceiving a real necessity for the safety of Travelers that a Ferry should be Erected, Application being made to the Court, then held at Newcastle, for liberty of a ferry on Christeen, The Court granted it, and made an order that Johannus Jaquet (he being in possession of the Land where the people go on shore at the other side of the Creek,) do keep a ferry Boat, and for his True Attendance obliged him to enter in Recognizance of forty Pounds, about Ten or Twelve years after, the said Jaquet, thinking the advantage of the ferry not answerable to the Expense of keeping a Boat & Attendance, gave a Grant of it to John Stalcup which liv'd on this side of the Creek, at the death of John Stalcup his son Israel took Possession, and after the Death of Israel his* Widow Marry'd Daniel †Turner, who kept it untill the son of Israel, nam'd John Stalcup, was of Age, and now the said John keeps the Ferry.

Wether the Advantage I am goeing to mention will be of any real service to the Publick, must submit, and can only say if the Ferry is here, and a Road over the Marsh, it will shorten the distance from hence to Newcastle near two miles, and of Consequence will bring many People that Travel from the Lower Countys & Maryland this way, which now goes by the way of Christeen Bridge, not only so, but as the People here are got in a strain of Draining the Marshes on the Creek to make dry Meadows, will of course in a few years answer the Drovers that Drives Cattle from the Lower Countys, &c., were they can meet with good Pasturage, likewise the Inhabitants of this Town must reap some benefit more than they do at present by Travelers, there is I do not doubt other Advantages wch do not occur to me now,

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Foot Note.—* Israel Stalcup, m. Susanna, daughter of Peter Jaquet and Ingeborg Stidham.

†Son of Thomas Tourneur, of New Harlem, and Maria Van Oblienus.

except one, wch is that the Lowering the price of 3½d for Ferrying Man & Horse over, wch I judge is full much.

I am much at a loss should I succeed to fix any Terms, fearing it might seem unreasonable, but this much must say, the expence of a Causeway across the Marsh, will be above a mile long, & clearing some Wood Land for a road, with Wharfs Boat, &c., (without an Act of Assembly can be procured for a Public Road,) must be very Expensive, which I compute on a moderate Computation £160, to complete the whole.

I declare I hardly know what Proposals to offer, but incline to leave it to you, being confident you will endeavour to procure as good Terms as if the benefit was to yourself, as you expect I would mention some Terms, I have made two Proposals, but desire you will lay no stress on them.

1st I am willing to pay an acknowledgmt every year providing to have it to my Heirs & Assigns for a Term of Years not under 60, and no other Ferry to be admitted on Christeen without liberty of me.

2d To take it for 50 Years without paying any acknowledgmt, and at the expiration to deliver the Ferry up with the same Proviso, & no other Ferry &c.

As the Propr has received no benefit hitherto from the Ferry, and Application now to him for a grant, am of opinion he will not be unreasonable, for he will receive an Advantage now he had not before, I beg you will make such Proposals as you will judge most conducive for the Interest of

Sir, Your Friend & Humb. Servt.

DAVID BUSH.

Directed to
THOMAS HOPKINSON Esq
in Philadelphia.

8 mo., 31st 1704

Richd Cantwell and Wm Dyre, with Severall Other Petitioners, near Apoquin Creek, requesting a Tract of Land for accommodating a chapel of the Church of England and a Glebe for the support of their Minister. Tis Ordered that 10 acres be granted for the said use upon the Same Terms as in the 11th mo. Last was granted To Jos England and Wm Horne, viz: at 1d Per acre.

Philip Reading to R. Peters

APOQUINIMINCK, Feby 4th. 1760

REVEREND SIR:

I wrote you in November last in relation to a scite of land for the purpose of erecting a commodious Church on, and at the same time inclosed a petitioning letter to Mr. Osborne, for obtaining the said lot of ground, agreeable to your advice and directions.

Since writing as above I have never heard any thing from you, except a verbal Message delivered by Mr. Jones, assuring us of which

we never entertained the least doubt, that you was ready to exert your best endeavours with Mr. Osborne, in behalf of our Congregation.

About ten days ago, Mr. Osbornes tenant, one Samuel Davis, son of the Sheriff of Chester County, sent me word that he had orders from Mr. Osborne to lay out a lot of ground for the use of a Church, &c., and this day was appointed for a meeting of the principle members of our Congregation to fix upon a proper place for the said purpose.

A good number accordingly met, but when they came to view the place proposed, they found it every way so inconvenient as will, unless remedied by your kind interposition, quite disconcert all our measures.

The place pitched upon by our Congregation, and agreed to last Summer by Davis himself is situated at the south-east corner of a little field on the north side of the road leading from Drawyer's bridge to Mr. Witherspoons; the land itself is sandy and barren, lying on the edge of a road laid out by Act of Assembly, and which, from the nature of the trade in these parts, can never admit of an alteration, so that the tract itself cannot be prejudiced by a grant in that place.

Mr. Osborne, I am confident, is imposed on by misinformation.

Many, who heard what passed this day suspect Davis, the tenant.

I am afraid it may too justly be observed to you, that your kind endeavours to serve us are opposed and thwarted by one, whose family is indebted to the Government of Pennsylvania for a post of great honour and profit.

As Davis desires to fixing us on the extremity of the tract in a low, uncouth place, and vouches Mr. Osbornes positive orders for his obstinacy, I must beg of you once more to renew your application, and endeavour to obtain a lot from Mr. Osborne in the place above described, which is about the centre between the northwest courses from Apoquiniminck to Drawyers Creek, but at the same time upon the edge of a road which can never be varied from its present direction.

I am sorry this affair creates so much importunity, but as the prosperity of the Church is concerned, I know you will be good enough to excuse it.

I am, Sir

Your affectionate Brother

and much obliged humble Servant

PHILIP READING

Affirmation of Solomon Truit, Senior, 1759

SUSSEX ON DELAWARE,

Of the County aforesd, yeo^{n}, aged sixty five years or thereabouts; Taken at Lewes in the said County, this seventeenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred fifty and nine,

This affirmant did solemnly and sincerely declare and affirm, In the presence of Almighty God.

That he was born in the County of Somerset in the Province of Maryland (as it was heretofore called but now known, By the name of Worcester County.) He further saith, that he hath lived in Ceder Creek Hundred, in the County of Sussex aforesd, for about thirty eight years last past, He likewise affirmeth, That soon after

his coming to be an inhabitant within the Hundred aforesd, He become acquainted with a certain William Townsend, who was then also an inhabitant of the said Hundred, and upon some conversation with the said William, He told the affirmant That he had taken up a piece or parcel of Land, at a place called Beaver Damn Branch, By virtue of a Warrant from the Honourable the Proprietaries land office for the Province of Pennsylvania and Countys on Delaware; The which said land was surveyed for the sd William by Mr. Robert Shankland, decd, formerly deputy surveyor of the County of Sussex aforesd, and the affirmant further sayeth, That he knoweth that the aforsd William Townsend sold his right in the land aforesd to a certain Elizabeth Watson of Sussex aforsed, widdow; For that he the affirmant filled up a Bond for the conveying and making over the sd land, according to the laws and usuages of the Government of the Countys on Delaware. He likewise saith, that he heard, that a certain Abraham Ingram, who held land under a Maryland survey, near unto the land so as aforesd taken up by the aforesd William, Pretended to claim a right in the sd Williams land, or some Part thereof, But he the affirmant knoweth not, That the said Abraham ever brought any suit for the establishing of his said claim; But he the affirmant doth further declare; That he knoweth that a certain Bethuel Watson (son to the aforsed Elizabeth Watson) Brought his action of Ejectment for the recovery of the land aforesd, From a certain David Smith, who had got into possession thereof, and the sd Bethuel obtained a judgement on his said suit, in his Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, in and for the County of Sussex aforesd. and was put into quiet and peaceable possession of the said land, by virtue of his Majesty's writ of Habere facias Possessionem, issuing out of the sd Court, for that purpose. The affirmant further saith, that he hath been told, that the aforesd Abraham Ingram, having an intention to get a Maryland warrant of survey for some part of the land, so as aforesaid surveyed, by Mr. Robert Shankland aforementioned He the affirmant heard severall antient inhabitants of Sussex aforesd, highly blame the said Abraham, for that the whole of the said land did indisputably lay within the reputed bounds of the said County of Sussex; The affirmant further saith, that he hath no particular knowledge of the plantation whereon John Willey (now a prisoner at Lewes) lately dwelt, But he hath heard it reported by the inhabitants of Cedar Creek Hundred aforsed, That it is situate within the limits and reputed bounds of the said Hundred, and further this affirmant saith not.

Jurat Coram Nobis — SOLOMON TRUIT
Rs HOLT
JACOB KOLLOCK
JACOB PHILLIPS

Deposition of Richard Coverdell, 1759

SUSSEX COUNTY ON DELAWARE,

The Deposition of Richard Coverdell, of the County aforesd, yeomn, aged seventy years or thereabouts, Taken at Lewes in the said County, this seventeenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred fifty and nine; This deponent being solemly sworn

on the Holy Evangelists did depose and say, That he was born in Bucks County, in Pennsylvania, and that he was brought by his parents into the County of Sussex aforesd, when he was a sucking child, in the which County he hath lived the greatest part of his life time, and for sixty years thereof, in Cedar Creek Hundred, in the County aforesd, and that the plantation that he is now settled upon, he doth hold under the rights granted to him from the Land Office of the Proprietaries of Pennsylvania and Countys on Delaware; He further saith, that his son John Coverdell, about eighteen years agoe had some intentions of taking up a piece of land toward the upper end of the neck in Cedar Creek forrest, commonly called and known by the name of the Great Neck, but since that time, the place his said son had pitched upon to take up, hath been surveyed by Mr Wm Shankland, now deputy surveyor of Sussex County aforsd, for a certain Ephraim Polke who afterwards (as this Deponent is informed) sold all his right and title in the said land to one John Willey (now a prisoner at Lewes in the County aforesd,) and the deponent further saith, That the plantation of him the said John Willey, is situate to the best of his belief and knowledge, within the Hundred aforesd, it lying South Easterly from the place of Deponants present dwelling near upon a mile, and upon which place, he the deponant hath, quietly and unmolested lived for many years last past; The which places the deponant saith, constantly hath been reputed, to be within the bounds and limits of the hundred aforesd, nor doth he the deponant know, of any riots or disturbances made on or near the present place of his present settlement, or the rights thereof, or any of the neighboring places unto it contested until what hath lately hapened at the plantation of the aforesd John Willey, and he the deponent further saith, that he hath known the aforesd John Willey ever since he came to settle upon the plantation aforesd, and that he hath behaved himself in a quiet peaceable and neighbourly like manner, an as an industrious young man ought to do:

his
Rich. R C Coverdell
mark

Jurat Coram Nobis
Rd Holt
Jacob Kollock
Jacob Phillips

Deposition of Jared Hitchins, 1759

Sussex County, ss

Jared Hitchins, of Worcester County, in Maryland, aged thirty years, or thereabouts, being solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, Deposeth and Saith:

That on the fifth day of February last, he, this Deponent, being at the house of Moses Timmonds, a Messenger came to him to let him know Mr. William Outten, under Sheriff of Worcester, was at his house; Upon which he, this Deponant, and said Timmonds, went to this Deponants house where Mr. Outten was, who immediately pressd this Deponant and said Timmonds, in his Lordships Name, to assist him in taking John Willey, Mullenex, Coverdale, & others, which he

said he had precepts for, informing this Deponant that he had already pressd some Men, which he left at Capt Collings & Mr. Holstons; That this Deponant, Timmonds, & Outten went to Mr Holstons, which place they left one hour in the night, and as they went to Mr Outtens pressed John Kelly and William Winwright, that late in the Night they came to Outtens, that next morning before sunrise, the whole Company, vizt., John Dennis, Coll Moses Timmonds, John Kelly, Peter Dolby, Levin Disheroon, Wm Conoway, Elisha Long, William Winwright, Benjamin Wooten, and this Deponant, went with Mr Outten to take the men; when they came to the Road that went to Mullenex's, they made a stop to conclude what to do, and they agreed that Conoway & Dolby was to go to Mullenex's, and Conoway, who had a warrant from Capt Collings to take Mullenex, was to take him, then Dolby was to give them notice, and they were all to ride up; That Conoway & Dolby rode off to Mullenex's, that after they were gone Outten said that their taking Mullenex might alarm the neighborhood, and by that means Willey Escape, he therefore ordered Colonel Dennis to stay there and assist Conoway and Dolby, and he and the rest went to Willey's, that they went on till they came to Willeys road, Outten (having before deputed this Deponant) then gave him the writ, saying, if Willey disputes your authority show his this, often repeating he would have Willey and Coverdale, and be satisfied with the ill usage he before had from them; That Timmonds and this Deponant went on, (being ordered) that if Willey was at home Timmonds was to go out to the well, pretending to drink, and take off his hat and put it on again, which was to be a sign to Outten and party, who was then to come up, and that when they came in sight this Deponant was to execute the precept; that this Deponant and Timmonds rode up into the yard and enquired the way to Wm Laws's, Willey then asked them to Light and warm themselves, which they did, went into the House and sat down; that they talked some time, during, during which this deponant being loth to serve the precept, protracted the time so long, that Timmonds going out saw Outten and his party coming; Willy likewise seeing them Coming, said, yonder comes the Sheriff of Worcester and a Company of Men, I guess what they are after, this Deponant then going to the door Willy shoved it to, and shut him out; when Outten came up, he asked this Deponant if he had taken Willy, he said he had not; Outten then seemed very angry, and said he would not for Five Pounds that he had acted in that manner; Outten then concluded to leave the House, and this Deponant and Timmonds was to go in again, then Outten and party was to come up, and this Deponant was to take Willey; when Outten and party was gone, Willey opened the door and asked this deponant and Timmonds if they were of Outten's party, Timmonds said they were not, and they immediately went in, Timmonds then asked Willey if Outten had anything against him, Willey answered he supposed he had, and several others; this deponant and Willey sat down, Willey stayed in the house, and his wife brought up his Creature, Willey said he was sorry he could not stay and desired to be excused; this deponant said we are going with you, Willey said I will show you the way to Lews's; as they all went to the door, Timmonds took a stick out of Willey's hand, pretending

to look at it, but this deponants thinks to prevent Willey from striking with it; as Willey went out this deponant arrested him, Willey said what do you mean, this deponant said I will show you, a scuffle ensued, Timmonds laid hold, but Willey by his wife's assestance got loose, and he and wife got into the house and shut the door, Outten then came up, and being informed how the Case was, run to the door with a Grubbing Hoe, and first wrenched the door with the Hoe, and then by striking two or three Blows with the Hoe burst the door open; that Outten went in, followed by Wooten and Disheroon, and Willey then took to his loft; Outten then desired Willey to come down, Willy said he would not; he said he would have him, dead or alive; Outten then threw up the Grubbing Hoe at Willey, and ordered his men to get sticks and back him, which they did; as they came in with their sticks Dennis, Conoway, and Dolby came, that Conoway brought a sword, but where he got it this deponant knows not, but supposes at Mullenex's; Dennis said, Willey come down; Willey said he would not: he said he had that would fetch him down (though the deponant says he believed he had no pistols, for they called at Paris Chipman's to borrow Pistols, but could get none;) they then shoved up the loose planks with their sticks, during which Willeys wife laid hold of Outten, begged he would not kill her Husband, and others taking hold of her they all Tumbled out of doors; That while they were shoving up the planks Willey stept at last on some fast ones, Outten then threw a Chair at Willey, seeming to be in a great rage, often swearing he would have him dead or alive; Willey told him he could not serve two Masters, Dennis said if you serve us you have no need to serve them, which introduced a parley, Dennis then proposed that Outten, and the great Men in Maryland concerned, should come to Sussex and leave it to the Magistrates there; Willey said if the Magistrates of Sussex gave him up he would submit, but Outten said he would not agree, that he was an Officer, and would go to the extent of his Office.

About this time one John Sharpe came to the yard, saying, what are you all here after, where is the dam^d^ Sheriff, Outten said here I am, and stept out of the door; that Outten and Sharpe met, that Outten struck at Sharpe, who held up his stick to defend himself, that Outten soon cut Sharpe's stick in two with the sword brought by Conoway, on which Sharp turned to run; that Outten struck him and cut him much in the Shoulder, Sharp said you have murdered me; Outten replied it is what you deserve; that this deponant dressed Sharps wounds and put some sugar in it, that Outten followed him afterwards, but Sharp avoided him; Willey still stayed in the loft.

Outten as last concluded to go home and gave this deponant the Scabbard, but kept the Sword, said I am warm and offering to pull off his coat; somebody said Willey is coming after you with his gun, Outten said never in a better time, that he turned about with his Sword drawn in his hand, and went towards Willey in a menancing and angry manner; that this deponant, conscious of his deceitful usage to Willy at first, expected Willy would shoot at him, and drew his Mare between him and Willy to Cover his Body from the Shot, but when Willy and Outten advanced near each other Willy shot, and Outten immediately fell; this deponant then mounted his Mare

and fled. This deponant further saith, that Outten, in private conversation the night before, told this deponant that he was to have Twenty Shillings p^r Man, that he took (vizt., Willy and others) over & above his legal fees. This deponant further saith, that during the whole time there was a violent uproar and tumult, Outten swearing frequently he would have him dead or alive, and that Disheroon, Dolby & Wooten, stripped and threatened to tear the house down.

JARED HITCHENS

Deposition taken 30th of April

JACOB PHILLIPS

John Vining to Gov. Penn, 1764

SIR:

I take the Liberty to inform your Honour, that Jacob Vanbeber Departed this life some time last Spring, and John Clowes on Thursday or Friday last, two of the Justices of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer & Gaol Delivery & Supreme Courts of this Government, and that there now remains but two persons in those Commissions, a number too small to pretend to transact business of such Consequences and importance as must necessarily come before them; Besides, in Case those two persons should sit, & divisions in opinion happen in any matter respecting the Court, such matter must rest for a time undetermined, whereby the business will be greatly impeded.

Precepts have been Issued for some time for holding Courts of Oyer & Terminer & Gaol Delivery, at Dover, on the Eighth day of May next, it seems therefore absolutely necessary that a New Commission should Issue before that time, least some thing might happen to prevent the Court from sitting, which would be attended with a considerable expense & a Disappointment to the Public.

I have presumed to make a list of such persons in Kent & Sussex as occur to me to be the most proper to put in those Commissions, indeed in Sussex no other persons are known to be so well qualified; but least I may be mistaken I beg leave to recommend Mr. Benjamin Wynkoop, Merc^t, a resident in your city, who lived long in Sussex, and is perfectly acquainted with the people of that County, and I am Confident will give your Honour more satisfaction than any other person whatever. I have long thought that the Supreme Court of this Government should be Conducted with greater advantage to the Public, and fewer disappointments, if two persons residing in Kent were put in those Commissions (this place being the centre of the Government) who might, one or the other of them, attend in the other Countys with much less inconvenience and with greater certainty. The Law Establishing these Courts is altogether Silent respecting the residence of the Supreme Justices.

Mr John Rodney, of Sussex, is by much the most proper person in that County, his Character is unexceptionable, the only misfortune he labours under is that his hearing is some what impaired. John Caton, Esquire, being very infirm, and Doctor Charles Ridgely ingaged in a vast deal of business, I beg leave to recommend Caesar Rodney, Esquire, as a person well Qualified to fill this Station who has leasure to give his attendance regularly. If your Honour sends

a new Commission the Bearer, William Manlove, will take Charge thereof, and what other Commands you may have, and discharge his ingagements faithfully

I am, Sir,
Your most respectful
and very humble Servt

JOHN VINING

April 30. 1769

JOHN PENN ESQ.

Election Return of Sheriff of Kent Co, 1692

Humbly sheweth that, whereas, The Inhabitants and freeman of the County of Kent, having mett and Assembled themselves together by Virtue of a Law made att Philadelphia, the Tenth day of the first month, One Thousand six hundred, Eighty and Three, for the Voating Choasing, and Electing Provincial Councill and General Assembly, have Legally Chosen and Ellected Richard Wilson for a Councilman, and William ffreeland, Daniell Jones, senr. Simon Hainse, John Barnes, William Manlove and George Manlove as Burgesses, for this County of Kent

SAM KING *Sheriff*

How Dover was Named

Att a Councill held att philadelphia die Lunae, 15th May, 1699

Upon reading the petion of the Inhabitants of kent County, setting ftuh that quras there is a certain peel of land in ye sd County, of 200 acres, on the south side of dover river, neer the bridge in the king's road, qron the Court house now stands, wch ye sd Inhabitants Latelie pchased from Wm Southbee, for the publick use of the sd County; and qras the sd Land being convenientlie accomodated in all respects for ye good and benefit yrof, and it being highlie necessary that a township, with all other privileges and benefitts, be erected and established for the good of the said County, with Fairs att Convenient times, &c, and the sd Land being convenientlie situated for yt purpose; And yrfor Requesting yt ye sd Land May be from hence forth erected into a township, and called by the name of Canterburry, and that they have a fair yrin twice a year, and that the same may be Laid outt into Lotts, a Comon and market place, as the County Court and grand Jury shall order and appoint, with streets and publick Landings, and yt the freeholders of the said Countie may have their Lotts yrin proportionablie to what they have paid towards it, and that whatsoever else may be necessary and Convenient for ye good and benefit yrof, may be left to the Court and grand Jurie from time to time, as ye same shall be needfull to be done.

Upon reading the within petion, the Lieut Governor and Council granted the same as is desired, & that after ye 20th of June next, the within town shall be called Dover.

Wm DARVALL, FRANCIS WHITEWELL
JNO HILLYARD, ROBERT STARR
JNO BRIGGS, &c.,

Thes are to desire you to meet me at New Castle, next Thursday, (so called,) being ye 2d of November, where I shall hold a General Court for the Settlement of the Juresdiction of thes & your parts, & in so doing you will oblige

Your Loving
Friend, Wm Penn

UPLAND, 29th 8 ber, 1682

iff there be any persons of note, or other, yt desire to come, they may freely do it, and this pray signify

New Castle upon Dellaware River May ye 30 1684

Honoured Sr

These are to acquaint you that Jonas Erskin and Andries Tille one yt Lives neare the widow Ogle was last night in towne and made Complaint that Collonell George talbot was yesterday with them and Brought three musketers allong with him and Towld Jonas Erskin the Widdow Ogle and Andries Tille that if they would not forthwith yeilde obiens to the Lord Balltemore and owne him for theire Proprietor and pay theire rentes to him that within three weekes he would turne them out of theire houses and take theire land from them Soe yt the people arre soe Disatisfyed that they cannot tell what to Doe they have a minde not to plant any thing moare this yeare nor to tende that korne as they have planted for they thinke he will turne them out and take all that they have away the marylanders Tell us that the Lord Balltemore may make a war against us at his pleasure allbeit wee arre the king of Englands subjekts one willm Dareby name gives out these Reports who is one of Collonell Tallbots greate friends and one Peter mossu De maese who was one of the Rioters that made a forsible entry upon the widow ogles Land towld me that the Lord Balltemore had sworne all the Inhabitants of maryland with faith and Alleigense to him and to fight all those that the Lord Balltemore would make war against if they showld ofer to opose him and Peter Massu Demaese sayd Likewise yt after he had taken the same oath he sayd how if the king of England should be Displeased with the Lord Balltemoares Proseding and showld opose him there being noe Reservation in our oath must wee opose and fight against the king and I asked Peter what answer they made and he towld me they sayd nothing at all made noe answer to it the Lord Direket us and bles us for we arre very much threatened by ye Collonell tallbott and his gaunge noe moare at present but my humble servis I am yor faithful and obedient servant

Saml Land

Signature to Indian Deeds

Hermanns Alrichs of the City of Philadelphia Gent Grandson of Pieter Alrichs late of the County of New Castle on Delaware Gent deced maketh Oath on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God That he having viewed this writing indented,—doth verily believe that the Name Pieter Alricks thereon endorsed as Witness to the signing sealing & delivering thereof by the several Indians within named is the proper hand writing of him the said Pieter Alrichs For that

the same appeareth exactly to agree with other of his Hand Writing in this Deponents Custody

HARMS ALRICHS

Sworn at Philadelphia
the twenty first day of April
Ao Di 1735 Witness my Hand & Seal
SAML HASELL

To R. Halliwell, Jn Donaldson & Robert French, of New Castle

Inclosed I send you a writ for ye County of New Castle to return their Representatives for a Council & Assembly that I am forced to call with all possible speed.

Piracies and Illegal Trade have made such a noise in Engld and ye jealousies of their being so much encouraged in these Amcan parts such an Impression on the minds of sevll great ones at home that I think myself obliged to give them earlier Demonstrations of our Zeal agst all such Practices than an expectation of ye next Assembly (wch comes not on till Spring) or a full Consideration of the Constitution and present frame of Governmt will admit of.

The business of this I now call will be very short, and soon over, & ye new Assembly meets soon after, in which I hope to take such effectual measures for the future & better settlement of this Governmt as will give full satisfaction to all I am &c.
Philada 12 Mo. 1699-1700

Wm Penn to J Donaldson, &c 1700

JNO DONALDSON
ROBT FFRENCH } Loving frds
CORNELUS EMPSON

Being informed that there are Several Pirates, or p'sons so suspected lately landed below, on this and t'other side of the River, & that some hover about New Castle, full of Gold.

These are to desire you to use your utmost Endavour and Diligence in discovering and app'hending all such p'sons as you may know or hear of that may be so suspected, according to my Proclamation, issued at my Arrival & of such as you shall discover or app'hend give immediate Notice unto me, who am

Yor Loving ffrd

NEW CASTLE, 9bre 1st 1700

R. ASHETON

The new *Minister Sent over for Philada., has been with me, and appears a man, sober and of a mild Disposition, yt may (be) pr'vailed with to be easy, I must yr fore desire thee to use all early methods by thyself, and such others of yor Church as are for Peace, and a ffriendly understanding to make impressions on his mind for the best, and by all reasonable means, endeavour to dispose him to an easiness of mind and good inclinations to the Publick, and the People in general he is now to live amongst assuring him that while he behaves himself

* FOOT NOTE.—Supposed to be the Rev. Dr. Evans of Christ Ch. Philada.

with Candour and Ingenuity, he shall want no Goodwill from, nor kindness that I can shew him, and that he may expect as much favour in all reasonable things, as he could from any Gov[r] of his own way. They care in this, I hope I may depend on having assurance of thy good inclinations to the peace of ye Publick, and that thou art sensible one of the greatest Advantages to be reaped from Religion is a quiet and easy mind, w[ch] as it is inwardly enjoyed, will show itself no less in all exteriour things.

As thou finds Occasion, a line from thee on this head would be acceptable to Him that is with kind Love to thy self & family

Thy assured fr[d]

& affectionate kinsman

W. P.

Memorial from Newcastle for Co. Officers, 1728

Nov[r] ye 22nd

MAY IT PLEASE YR HON[R]:

We are informed & do believe that Coll French is dying; and as it has always been the Sentiments of the People of this Governm[t] that their Records as well as their Officers ought to be, live, & reside among themselves, & within the Counties, and that no p'son except the Propriet[r] & Gov[r] ought to have the Com' and or Keeping of any of our Deeds, Records, Writts, etc., unless such person live & reside among Us and in the County to which such Records do belong.

We, therefore, humbly beg Leave to represent to the Gov[r], in Behalfe of our selves & the County of New Castle, our Desires that some fit p'sons of Capacity living & residing among Us, according to our Laws & Constitution, may, in case of Death of the s[d] Coll French, be appointed as usual for executing the offices of Clerk of the Peace, Prothonotary of the Common Pleas, & Register for the Probate of Willes & Granting Letters of Administration for the County of New Castle: and in this We are well assured the Gov[r] will very much oblige the Magistrates & Inhabitants of the County of New Castle, and likewise the People in General of these Three Counties. We humbly beg the Govern[r] will please to excuse Us for this Freedom, and accept of our best Services & Respects

We are your Hon[ss]

assur'd ffrd[s] & most humble servants

PH. GORDON	DA. EVANS
JNO. RICHARDSON	HANS HANSON
JOS ENGLAND	SIMON HADLY
CHARLES SPRINGER	JAMES ARMITAGE
AND[W] PETERSON	JAMES JAMES JUN[R]

Deposition of Henry Packard, 1734

NEW CASTLE COUNTY, *s.s:*

Henry Packard, of New Castle County, Yeom[n], of full age, being Sworn on the holy Evangelists, before me, ye Subscriber, one of his Maty's Justices within the County afsd, deposeth & saith, that on the Twenty Seventh Day of this instant, John Ward, Under Sh'ffe of

Cecil County in Maryland, came to the House of this Depon^{t}, in Appoquinaminck Hundred, in this County, which is within a Mile of the Kings Road leading thro the County of New Castle, attended by seven Men, who as this Depon^{t} hath since been informed were Constables of Cecil County, & that the sd Under Sh'ffe & the other Men with him, entered into this Depon^{ts} House and askd for Jared Rothwell, son of Thomas Rothwell, & the sd Jared Rothwell coming down stairs the sd Under Sh'ffe immediately arrested him at the suit of James Heath, of Cecil County afd, & that the sd Under Sh'ffe took the said Jared away with him from this Depon^{ts} House. And this Depon^{t} further Saith, that on the same day he went to the House of Col John Ward, in Cecil County, at which Place Perry Ward, Sh'ffe of the sd County, keeps his Prison, & that he there saw the afd Jared and Thomas Rothwell, Jun., (whom the sd Under Sh'ffe had likewise taken at the suit of the sd James^{s} Heath) in close Confinement, and that he, this Depon^{t} heard the sd Sh'ffe say he would carry them to Anapolis. And this Depont further saith, that he was informed by his wife & Brother, that several of the p'sons attending the sd Under Sh'ffe had Swords drawn in their Hands, at the Time of their entering this Depon^{ts} House.

And this Depont further saith, that the afd Jared and Thomas Rothwell told him that the sd Under Sh'ffe had bound or pinioned them at the House of James Heath, & had carried them in that manner to Gaol.

HENRY PACKARD

Jurat, 30th Aprilio, 1734
DA. FFRENCH

NEW CASTLE COUNTY, *ss.*

The Deposition of Thomas Rothwell, of Appoq^{k} Hundred & County afd., Yeom, aged about Fifty Six Years, of good faith & worthy of Credit, being Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, Deposeth and Sayeth.

That in the Year of Our Lord 1713, he, this Depont, bought a Tract of Land, Computed to be in Quantity 595 Acres, of a certain John Cowgill, Decd, Lying in the Fork of the main Branch of Appoquinamink Creek, in Appoq^{k} Hundred and County afd, & sd land was then unimproved, and appeared to this Depont to be taken up under William Penn, Esq., Dec'd.

And this Depont further sayeth, that he setled & improved the sd Tract of Land, & lived on the same about the space of two Years, & paid his Levy to the Collectors of the Levys for the afd hundred & County, & served in the office of Constable, and did the Dutys of a Juryman for the sd County of New Castle, during the time he dwelt on the sd Land.

And this Depont further Sayeth, that after he removed off the sd Land, he setled a certain John Danielly, of the afd Co^{ty}, in the afd Tract of Land, as his Tenant, for certain Yearly Rents by this Depont, received According to Agreement for the Term of two or three years, and then he, this Depont, sold the afd Tract of Land to Thomas Sharp, of Kent County on Delaware, decd, And the sd Thomas Sharp some

time after sold the sd Land to Mr. James Steel of Philada, to whom this Depont Executed a Deed for the sd Land, pursuant to the sd Thomas Sharp's Agreemt with the afd Steel.

And this Depont further Sayeth, that about Three Years ago, the afd James Steel sold the above mentioned Tract of 595 Acres of Land, to this Depont's two sons Thomas Rothwell Jun, and Garret Rothwell, the present possessors of a part of the sd Land, who have, at a considerable expence, further setled and improved the same.

And this Depont further Sayeth, that he well knows since he Dwelt on the afd Land, the same Continued in Possession of John Danielly afd, Tenant thereon, under himself, Thomas Sharp, & James Steel afd, for about thirteen or fourteen Years, & after him in Possession of one Joseph Buxon, a Tenant to James Steel afd, for near or about two Years, and immediately after was entered on by his two Sons as Tenants & Grantees of James Steel afd, And so have Continued in possession of the sd Land, or part thereof, to this day all who Severally before mentioned have Continued Inhabitants of the County of New Castle afd, & have paid their Several Taxes & done the Dutys of them required as inhabitants thereof.

And this Depont further sayeth, that about Two Years ago a Certain Mathew Dunahoe, Setled on the afd Land as a Tenant, under Mr James Paul Heath of Cecil County, in the Province of Maryland, & built a House near the line of the sd Land, & since Built a Barn within the afd Tract of 595 Acres of Land & has Clear'd & Fill'd about ten Acres thereof, within the known lines of the sd Tract, Notwithstanding he has been required to forbear entering within the sd Tract of Land.—And about the sd time a Certain James Carter, Also pretending to be a Tenant to the afd James Heath, enter'd on the afd Tract of Land & built a House about 200 Yards within the line, & Cleared some of of the sd Land, & after left it with sd small Setlemt, was entered on about Four Months ago by one James Poor, with some Negroes of the afd James Heath, who have since inclosed about Twenty Acres of the afd Tract of Land in fence, & are at this time Clearing and improving the same.

And that about Sixteen Months ago, a Certain Augustine Noland (likewise pretending to be a Tenant of the afd James Heath) enter'd on the afd Tract of Land, & at this time dwells in a House Built thereon by the sd James Heath, & since the sd Noland's entering thereon, he hath enclosed within fence about Twenty or Twenty five acres of Land on the sd Tract, & is now Clearing & Cultivating the sd Land, & Destroying the Timber thereon, &c

T. Rothwell

[L. S.] Sworn before me, one of his Majesties Justices of the Peace for the afd Coty, this 28th day of April 1739

Tho. Noxon

19th of ye 3d Month 1702

Isaac Scheffer having purchased of Joseph Hansen the Tract of Land or old plantation between Dragon and Redlyon Runs in ye County of Newc., because the said Joseph could not Comply with his bargain desires to become answerable to the Commis'rs for that Agreem't

but requests further time, wich is given for one Moiety to the 15th 9br. next, and for the other Moiety to 25 1 mo., Next, with interest from the 25 1st Month last past

And the said Isaac, informing that there is a Vacant piece of Cripple or Marsh adjoining between Peter Hansen and Mathias Vanderhyden, Requests a grant of the same upon the same Terms with the fast Land, viz., at £16 pr 100 to be paid at the times above expressed, Which is granted, provided no person's just Claim be injured thereby.

Nehemiah Field, of the County of Sussex, having, when the Prop'ry was in the said County entred his Title to 300 Acres of Land on Broadkill, requests a Resurvey on the same, and that P. Pemberton may execute the War't, the late Constituted Surveyor of that County living at 70 Miles distance.

Ordered that a Warrant be accordingly granted and a Patent on the Return, he making good his Title before that time

Signed a Warrant to Nehem. Field. Ordered to-day.

8th and 9th of the 4th Month, 1702

George Hogg producing a Return from the Surveyor's Office of the Survey of a Bank Lott in Newcastle, 66 foot in breadth, fronting his lott, in pursuance of a Warr't from the Comm'rs dated 22d 1 mo., last, Requests a Confirmation of the same upon the terms the Prop'ry granted the same on. Ordered that a Patent be accordingly granted.

George Hogg producing a Return from the Surveyor's Office of the Survey of 200 acres to his Wife's Son, Henry Land, by Vertue of a War't from the Comm'rs dated 23d of 10 br. last, requests a Patent on the same, which is granted.

Governor E. Andros by a Patent dated 25th Mar., 1676, Granted to John Moll a Tract of Land adjoying on the Town of Newcastle, laid out for 100 acres, running by Otter Street, Maryland Road and the Marsh, of which Tract the said John Moll, by an Indorsem't on the said Patent, declares that he had sold Gerrit Jansens als. Smith a small Tract or parcel of about 4 or 5 acres, and to James Read a Tract lying between the King's Highway to Swarton Nutten Island, Otter Street and Maryland Road, and on the N. W. with the Main Woods, and to John Dun a Tract out of the said Patent, bounded on the Southeast with the Tract sold to Ger. Jansen, now Wm Howston's, Southwest with the King's High Way, N. W. with the Cripple, N. E. with the Marsh, by Deed dated 18th June 1695. George Hogg, in behalf of John Dun's Orphans, requests a Resurvey on the said Tract in Order to a Confirmation.

Thomas Janvier having obtained a Warr't for the Bank before his Front in Newcastle, dated 1st 2 mo. last, produces a Return of Survey on the same, being 30 foot in Breadth, and requests a Pat't thereupon, which is granted.

Signed a Patent to Hen. Land for 200 acres in Newc. Coun. Ordered 8th Inst.

15th and 16th 4th Month, 1702

Judge Guest, in pursuance of our Warr't dated 23d 1 mo. last, produces a return for 1250 acre, of which 500 are given in as arable,

for which he is to pay £45, and the rest at a Bushell p'r Hundred, as the other 500, is Granted a Patent

Sarah Welch having purchased of Jonas Asskain 200 a's pa. 18, sold the same to her son, John Guest, by Deed dated the 30th 4th mo 1702.

William Fisher requesting 100 acres Vacant Land in Slaughters Neck in Sussex, 'tis granted for £10 and a Bushell of Wheat Rent; to be laid out not to discommode any Others.

10th 5 mo., 1702

William Dyer having, as in page — proved a right to 2100 a's upon Returns of a Survey Made in pursuance of Warr't for Wm and Tho. Fisher; there is in one Tract 1100 a's, being part of the Tract of 2100, besides which 1100 there is also sold to Tho Groves 418 a's, but on that Tract on Which the Patent is there can be found but 175 a's in Tho. Fisher's possession and 150 a's in Corn Weelbank's, in all 325 a's, So that to make up the deficiency of this he requests the Overplus of the other, the Tracts being Contiguous.

William Howston to have his 65 a's, in right of Jno Moll, 55 a's; The other 10 and 45 acres adjoyning to be Confirmed in the same Patt. Granted.

8th 7br., 1702

Joseph Hedges, of N. C. Coun, requests 100 acres, at the head of the Tract formerly taken up by George Hogg on new Rent, and now entred upon the same Dutch Men, Situate upon Redclay Creek, for which he agrees to pay £20 upon the Confirmation. Rent 1 shilling pr 100; 1st 11mo.

14th 7 mo., 1702.

John Hill, of Sussex, having in pursuance of a Warrant from the Prop'ry, dated 25th 8br. last, procured a Survey on 255 acres in Walker's Neck produces a Return thereof and Requests a Patent; he claims by right of a Warrant for 500 a's granted in '83, then entered in the said place. Ordered a Patent. Old Rent to be paid from the first entry, '86

Wm. Brakin, Lab'r, of N. C. Coun., requesting a grant of 100 A's Near Jno. Evans near Redclay Creek, for which he agrees to pay £12 10s p'r C't and a Bushell of Wheat Rent p'r Ann., to pay 25th. 10br., 1703, with Interest from 25th 10br; 1702

2d 9br., 1702

John Fisher purchased by Deed dated 25th 9br., 1701, of Thomas Hall a Tract of Land Conts 421 acres in Sussex on great Creek, Granted to the s'd Thos. for the said Quantity by the Prop'rs Patent, dated 26, 1 mo., '84 being assigned to the said Thomas by Rich'd Peaty, to whom it was granted and laid out by Order of Capt. Edwr'd Cantwell, in which Patent there being a small point left out before his house he prayes a Resurvey that may take the same in and a New Patent.

Granted a Resurvey according to the old Lines and to Survey the s'd Point, to be granted for its Value.

Sussex Court granted 15, 1 mo., '81, to Wm Planner 1000 a's on Slaughter Neck as by Warrant under L. Watson's hand and County Seal, 6, 8 mo., '83 which was located by him on the said Neck, but being surveyed there was laid out but 600 a's which he sold to Tho. Price, as by Record of Sussex Court, 8, 7 mo., '85; but the said Return of Survey Mentioning Mispain Creek, instead of Slaughter by Mist'e, Planner, to make a Title, procured of the Comm'rs a Warrant of Resurvey dated 7. 2 mo. '86 to rectify the said mistake and make returns, accordingly directed to Wm Clark, whose deputy, Jos. Barkstead, executed the same 26th 2d Month, 1687, upon which he requests a Patent. Granted

9th 9 mo., 1702

Hippolytus Le Fevre, of Newcastle, purchased of Margaret Sherry a Front Lott in Newcastle, 1695, purchased of James Williams 92, purchased of Hans Codeny 5 mo., 1682, who sold the said Lott to the said Williams; bonded Eastward with Henrick Will'ms, South the Strand and Westw'd with Gisbert Dickson, and N. with Land Street, which being Resurveyed by the Propr's General Warrant and James Logan's Particular Order, is found to contain 51½ foot, for which he desires a Patent. Granted. Rent, bushell p'r ann.

25th 9th Month, 1702

Katherine Haverlaw, according to Min's taken by the Propr'y. by J. Grey, A. D. 1701, held 300 acres on great Creek, between John Collinson and Simon Pawlins purchased by her late husband, Antho. Haverlaw, of Antho. Creyger, by an Instrum't dated 7, 5 mo. 1679, who had the same from New York, and by will devised the same to his Wife for her life and after to his Children. Requests that the said 300 acres be resurveyed together with 200 of Vacant lying between said Land and Nehem. Field, which Jno. Hill says they always paid Rent for, and now desire to have. They have lost their Deeds Since said Minutes were taken, by their House being burnt, Granted a Resurvey and Patent on the Return of the 300 acres, the others to be Considered.

14th Xbr

Joshua Morgan requests 100 adjoining or near to the 100 a's lately granted to Wm Brakyn, on Mill Creek, near Whiteclay, on the same terms, viz: for £12. 10s, and to be paid 25th Xbr, 1703, with Interest for 1 Year and a bushell Rent, Informs that he is Seated on 200 acres leased to him by Jno. Champion for 9 years at £3 p'r ann., which has been entred on about 11 Years without any grant or Survey.

28th and 29th Xbr, 1702

Peter Anderson having taken out a Warrant of Resurvey on Peter Hansen's Land, Granted by vertue of a Patent dated 4, 10 mo., '86, from the Commissioners, J Clayp. and R. Turner, to his Father, Hans Hansen, for 425 Acres, Who, by his Will dated 11 August, '96, in these words, vid. infra, devised to the said Peter his Plantation in Aplin Island, with all the said Island and Land belonging there-

unto, the Marsh excepted, which Marsh he divided among his three eldest sons, Hans, s'd Peter and Joseph, Ex'ors of the said Will, being resurveyed, is found to Contain upon the Surveyor's Review 596 Acres, wherein is Contained 130 Acres Overplus after Allowance of 40 A's by Law for which he agrees to pay after the Rate of £15 p'r C't to be paid 25th 10br. 1703 with Interest, viz £20, Vid, Newc. Min's, Desires a Patent which is granted therein to have and to hold all the fast land to the s'd Peter Hansen and the Marsh to the Uses in the s'd Will Mentioned:

First I give unto my son Peter Anderson the whole mentioned Island whereon I now live with all the lands and Improvements thereto belonging or appertaining to that Tract of Land, excepting the Marsh there to belonging, And for the said Marsh I give and Bequeath to my said son Peter and my son Hans Hansen and my son Jos. Hansen to be equally divided among my 3 Sons.

Proved before John Donaidson and James Claypoole 17. 9br., '96

4th 11th Month, 1702

George Dakeyne, Surveyor of Newc, requesting a Small Tract of Cripple reputed about 40 or 50 Acres, adjoyning to the Tract of 600 Acres already granted, Ordered that a Warrant be granted him for the said Land, he paying for the same after the rate of 12s p. C't, and the Rent of his other Tract, viz; 10 shill's, Country Money p. C't.

Christian Arenson having obtained a grant from us for 100 Acres more to be added to a hundred, the right of which he purchased of Peter Oldson on the same terms with that granted to the said Peter, viz: at £16 p'r C't with a busheil of wheat Rent, Ordered that a Warrant be granted.

Joel Baily, now of Chester County, near Robert Pyle, requests a Grant of 200 Acres Vacant Land on the South of the Brandywine adjoyning Peter Dix and William Browns, or any other Vacant Land thereabouts. Ordered that the Land be very sparingly sold for the future in the County of Newc. and all other such places where there is but little left, but that the said Joel Baily have the preferrence of what land thereabouts is to be disposed of.

18th 11th Month, 1702

John Grubb affirms he purchased of Conradt Constantine his right to a Warr't from the Gov'r for 70 acres in the C. of Newc., dat. 5, 10 mo., '83, which warrant the said John caused to be Executed on the Land below Naaman's Creek, devised by Jasper Yeats, and of which he produces a draught under J. Peirson's hand, and there is another also in the Office but Seems not allowed of. The said Grubb offers to resign the said Land to the Prop'ry in Exch. for a small parcel on the North East Side of the Land he now holds and between the line of it and Isaac and David's Run

Ordered that in Consideration that the Land on Naaman's Creek is Valuable and much desired by some that Sue for it, who would bring in another Title upon it, the said parcel be granted as requested, provided it exceed not 50 a's and that the said John Grubb procure a full release from C. Constantine for the Land afores'd.

20th, 8 mo., 1701

Whereas the Land agreed to be given to J. Grubb between his Land and Is. and Da'ds Run is found to be part of the Land purchased of Wm Stocdale, which we have not the power to grant.

Ordered that the s'd agreement be void.

Joel Baily applying for 200 A's at the Back of Peter Dix, South of Brandywine. Ordered that it be not Sold til 1s.

22. and 23. 12th Month, 1702

Peter Dix having procured a Warrant for 300 acres on the South side of Brandywine for £50, which he hath paid, and having, by agreement, taken up the whole vacancy there, which proves 554 a's, viz: 254 above the grant. Agreed that he shall have the s'd 254 a's for £45 and a Patent be granted for the whole

Robert French having purchased of Maj'r Donaldson his 2 front Lotts in the Strand in Newe, of 60 foot each, requests the Bank before the same. Granted.

Robert French producing a Return on 487 acres for 500 purchased of Maurice Liston by Deed dated ——, also proved a right to 178 acres between himself and Maj'r Donaldson, as by Newc. Min's, which proves 312 a's, and having purchased Maj'r Donaldson's right to his share p. writing. dat ——, (both to be produced), of which there is allowed 17 acres for Measure and 13 a's to Make up the other Defficiency, there remains 104 acres for which he agrees to pay £10 and requests a Patent for both in one, which is granted.

Rob't French haveing Obtained an Execution for £75 In Kent County against the Estate of George Martin, had Part of the Same levied On 180 acres of Land in said County, Called Golden Grove, Joining On Francis Iron's, Near the S. West Branch of Duck Creek. Requests a Resurvey upon the whole.

5 and 6, 2 mo., 1705

Rich'd Halliwell Produceing a return for 400 a's of Land surveyed in the County of Newc., in Pursuance of the Prop'rs Warrant for the said Quantity, requests a Patent for the same. Granted, it appearing Clear and Claimed by no Other Person.

12 and 13, 2 mo., 1703

William Clark requesting the Grant of a small Parcell of Marsh On the South side of Pothooks Creek, in the County of Sussex, divided from a Plantation of the said William's By a small Creek, the Whole not Exceeding Forty Acres, which is granted at a Bushell Wheat Per Annum.

The Prop'ry by a Pat't, date 26, 1 mo., '84 Granted to Jno Ogle a tract of Land of 430 acres situate on the North side of white clay Creek Called the Hopyard at One Bushell of wheat p'r Annum p'r 100 a's, And One year's Value, at Every Alienation. John Ogle making his last will and Testament in writing dat, —— made Eliz'th, his wife, Ex'r thereof, who, after the said Testator's decease, by deed Poll, dat. 9, 11 mo., '86, Granted and sold the whole said tract to Peter Yocom. Of the County of Philadelphia. Peter Yocom haveing Mortgaged the said tract of Land for Certain Sum of Money

to Charles Saunders of which sum, before his decease, he had Paid the greater Part, John Guest Esqr., of Philada. Paid the rem'r of the Sum to Sarah, Widow and Ex'rx of the said Charles, who thereupon released and Conveyed the said tract of Land to Judith Yokom, widow of said Peter, the said Judith, widow and Ex'rx, Peter Yokom, Son and Heir, and John Hans Stellman, Joint Ex'rx with the said Widow, to said Peter Yokom deceased, by deed, dat 12. 7ber, 1702, sold and conveyed the said tract to the said John Guest, which tract being resurveyed By Thomas Pierson in Pursuance of Our General Warrant the same is found to Contain 769 Acres in which 40 a's being allowed for Measure there remains 297 a's to be Paid for at £10 p'r C't p'r Agreement, for all which he requests a Patent. Granted

Tho. Ogle, by deed, dat 10 Feb, 1702–3, Son and Heir of John Ogle aforesaid, released the said Land to the said John Guest, his Heirs &c. The Comm'rs haveing, by their Warrant, dat 31, 10ber, 1701, Granted to Joseph Moore, of Newcastle, Wheelwright, 400 a's of Land at £12. 10s p'r C't, which, being in Pursuance of ye said Warrant surveyed to the said Joseph's two tracts, ne whereof Containeth 145 a's adjoyning On the Above mentioned Hopyard, the s'd Joseph in Consideration of £5 12s Paid to himself and £18. 10s secured to be Paid to the Prop'ry's Use by his deed Poll dated 30 Jan'y, 1702–3, Granted and sold to the Said John Guest the said tract of 145 acres for which he requires a Patent. Granted

3d. 3 mo. 1703

Edward Smout Produces a return of Survey under Walter Wharton's hand for 28 a's laid Out on the Northside of Apoquinim, on the Lower side of Drawyers Creek, said to be recorded in the records of Land in Newc, fo. 83, as by a Certificate Dat. 26 July, 1678, to Roeloff Anderson, also a deed dat. 7 March '87, from John Walker And Wybreach Walker, his wife, for 200 a's of Land Between Apoquin. And Drawyers Creek by the Marsh called the High Hooks, said and Intended by the said Deed to be the same recited as aforesaid, which Deed also recites that the said Land was sold and made Over by the said Roloff Andries to Jno. Walker and Wybreck and Conveys the same to Richard Noble, of Delaw'e, with a Certain Parcell of Meadow or Marsh Containing 100 a's recited to have been granted to Jan Sierick's Pr'decessor to the said John Walker by Pat't. from Gov'r Tia. Lovelace, dat 4 Aug't, 1671, to hold the said 200 a's of Fast land and 100 a's of Meadow to the said Rich'd Noble, his Heirs &c. Also a Deed dat. 28 June, '90, from the said Rich'd Noble for 500 a's of land Called the High Hook and the Holt.

17 and 13, 3 mo., 1703

The Comm'rs viz: Wm Markh. and Jno Goodson, by their warr't, dat. 29, 1 mo., '89 Granted to Jno Champion, Jno Latham, Christ'r White and John Reynolds 1000 acres of Land in Newc. County, On Rent; in Pursuance whereof there was Surveyed 800 a's, Only 400 thereof On St Georges or thereabouts, assigned on the Back of the Warrant by C'r White and Jno. Champion to Amos Nichols, and 400 on Mill Creek now in the Possession of Edw'd Green and Thomas Lewis.

The s'd Champion haveing a right By the said Grant to 200 a's more, Entered upon a Tract adjoyning without Survey and has made Improvements upon the Same and Is since deceased. Christopher White, adm'r to the s'd Champion and Guard'n of his Orphans, being their Grandfather, Requests a Conf of the said 200 a's in behalf Of the Said Orphans.

Granted, the Paying new rent for the Same Since '89, and thereupon Ord'd a Warrant for the Same, Expressing the Conditions.

7th and 8th 4 mo., 1703

John Pitts of Maryland, haveing Procured his tract of Land 500 a's in Newc. County, to be Resurveyed, is found to Contain 527 acres, and discovering a Certain tract of Vacant Land adjoyning, which upon a Survey is found to Contain 287 acres, he requests Geo. Dekeyne to Purchase the Same and agrees to give as Others.

In Answer to which the Price is Sett £12 st'l. p'r acre, to be Paid in Bills, i. e., £34, 8s in the whole, of which the Sec'ry is Ordered to advise him.

Welch of Newcastle

Philada 14, 4 mo., 1703

Howel James Produces a return of 1040 acres laid out in the County of Newcastle to himself, in Pursuance of the General Warrant for 30000 acres there (40 to be allowed in Measure if the Prop'ry Please, Otherwise Not), w'ch said Land R'd Davies and Da'd Evan have by their Deed, dat. 27th June, 1702, assigned to the said Howel James.

Also Produces a return of 315 acres Surveyed in the said Place to Edm'd Kinsey, assigned by the s'd Richard Davies and David Evan, On both which Patents are requested.

Granted, they giveing good Security for the Money

At the Request of Judge Guest that we would Encourage him to Make a Settlement half way Between Whiteclay Creek and Nottingham, as a Conveniency for travellers and himself by adding a Suffic't Quantity to 666⅔ acres already granted him. Granted 333⅓ acres to be added In the said Place at 2 Bushells of wheat pr Annum; to be seated in One year after the Grant, Otherwise to be void.

William Rodney in Behalf of Wm Wilson, Sheriff of Kent, Requesting to Grant of One Hund'd and Twenty acres, adjoyning On Wm Rodney, and Edward Starkey, above the King's Road. 'Tis Granted at £6 p'r C't, to be Paid In 3 months, On Old Rent.

Evan Jones (by his wife) Produceing a return of 300 a's Surveyd by Tho Pemberton and Certifyed by Wm Clark, laid out in Kent County in Pursuance of a Warrant from Kent Court, dat. 24th, 7ber, '81, for 400 a's, To the said Evan, in right of which there Was laid Out Only the said 300.

He requests a Pat't On the Same, which is Granted, but is Caveated ag't by Jno. Jones Vintner.

Wm Davies and David Evan, undertakers for the Welch Settlement in Newc. County, by an Ind're, dat 27 June, 1702, transfer their Rights to James James, of the County of Philad'a, Yeom., all their Right and Int'st to 1246 A's of the Welch Tract in the said County,

of the Survey of which a Return is Produced, and thereupon Desires a Pat't to himself he Answering for the Same, According to ye Gen'l Agreem't of £12 10s p'r C't which is Granted.

David Lloyd and I's Norris, Ex'rs of the last will and Testament of Thomas Lloyd, Complaining that the Crd'rs of that Estate, Especially those in England, are Very sharp upon them and that they Can by no means Answer them unless they Can be favoured in Takeing up what Lands belong to the said Estate that are yet untaken up, Especially that they may have the Privelege of takeing up that thous'nd Acres Granted by the Prop'ry at his Departure in exchange for the like quantity On Indian River in Sussex, may be Taken up Part in the Welch tract, viz: 500 acres where it may be found, and the Remainder be located On A Vacancy near Gwynedd.

Judge Guest haveing On the 15th, Ult., Obtained a Grant of 333⅓ acres to be laid Out Adjoyning to 666⅔ acres, Part of Jno Barber's Purchase, he further Presses that the said Land is not Sufficient for his Design in making Settlem'ts in the said Place halfway between Whiteclay Creek and Nottingham, and that for his Services he alledges to this Government he has been a great Sufferer without Any Manner of Compensation He therefore Prays that this Board will Grant to him One thous'nd A's more at a Bushell p'r C't., and that the Rent of the Other 333⅓ be reduced to the Same Rent.

All which being Considered, And being Argued On the One hand that he has really been a sufferer And exposed himself for the Service of the Governm't, and On the Other hand that this Board are not Judges of the Prop'ys munificence and Cannot Grant On Any other Terms than what is mentioned in our Commission, but that the said Judge Guest Exhibiting In his Request the he Designs to make a Considerable Settlement there which will be much for the Improvement of the Place, 'Tis Ordered that the said Judge Guest shall have 500 a's in the Place aforesaid to be added to the said 666⅔ Acres under the yearly Rent of One Bushell of Wheat p'r C't and that he be Obliged to build and make a good Settlement upon the Same before the first of Decem'r 1704

Jacobus Vanderculin upon Skuylkill desireing to Purchase Part of the Overplus found in that Tract of Matthias De Fosse in Christiana Hundred together with about 50 Acres out of a Vacant Tract Adjoyning, Offers £15 p'r C't, £10 thereof to be Paid in hand, £10 more next Spring and the Rem'r in fall, with Interest from the 1st of 7ber, next.

Granted accordingly, Provided that the Land taken out of the vacant Tract Render not the rest of less Value and more unsaleable and upon that Condition Ordered a Warrant accordingly

2d 6 mo., 1703

Jos Wood, haveing in the year 1701 Procured a Resurvey on a tract of Land in Newc. County, On George Creek, reputed to Cont, 400 a's, but upon a Resurvey Proved more and therefore there was Cutt Off from it about 180 acres of Overplus and the rest Confirmed by a Patent, the said Jos. Now Requests that the said Land may be granted to him and that he may be Considered for his Charges of Resurvey-

ing, discover'g and Cutting of the Said Overplus, Upon w'ch tis Granted at £12 pr C't On the Usual Rent. A Provisoe that it shall not be Presedent for Lands there, being but ⅔ of the Value and a Warrant is Ordered thereupon and a Patent On the Return.

The s'd Jos. also Requests a Grant of about 24 acres lying Between his New Plantation and some Land he Purchased of Artman Haim. Ordd that the Survey'r be wrote to About it

23, 6 mo., 1703

Uepon the Application of Sam'l Carp'r and Tho. Fairman, Attorneys to the London Company, that in Pursuance of the Prop'ry's Order we would approve of the Survey of Certian Lands made by the said Thomas in Pursuance of the Prop'ry's Warrant to him dated 17 Aug't. '99, Tis Ord'd that One Draught of 1360 a's in Newcastle County, and One Draught of 7500 acres above the Falls, and one Draught of 21500 a's in said County of N. C., in Two Tracts, and One Draught of 3700 a's in s'd County, be rec'ed and Entred in the Survey'r's Office, they Paying the Fees, and returned into the Sec'rys office.

Certifyed by Jacob Taylor.

Whereas there is a difference Between Evan Jones, of Kent County, and the Assignees of Jos Growdon about the Division Line of Two Tracts of Land lately Resurveyed, the One Tract by Geo. Dakyne and the Other By Jonas Greenwood, Survey'rs, they have Ord'd that both the Surveyr's goe On the Line Aforesaid and Compare the same with the Orig'l Patent Granted to Whitwellf or a thous'd acres, also with Evan Jones's First draught of his Survey as also with the former Resurveys of the said Growdon's Land, and that the Lines of the said Orig'l Patent, if it breaks in upon the s'd —— Evan's Claim, shall be Peremptory Notwithstanding the s'd Claim, But if not and the said Evans' first survey be Prior to the said Jos. Growdon's Resurvey that the Lines of the said Survey shall stand and the s'd Survey'rs are Required to make their Return Accordingly, dat. at Phila'd 23, 6 mo., 1703.

By Order of the Rest of the Commiss'rs

JAMES LOGAN

To George Dakeyne, Survey'r of the County of Newcastle and To Jonas Greenwood, Survey'r of Kent County

30th 6 mo., 1703.

Thomas Johns, One of the New Welch Settlers of the Tract of 30000 a's. Produceing a return from Geo. Dakyne of 632 a's, 140 perches, Survey'd to the said Thomas John, Requests a Confirmation of the Same.

Ord'd that when a return is regularly Produced Out of the Office and a Deed from the Undertakers, a Patent be Granted, he giveing good Security for the Payment of £78. 2s. 6d, One Moiety 15. 8br. next and the Other 12 months after.

4th 8 mo. 1703

Mem'dum, to Write to Geo. Dakyne about 200 Acres vacant Land Joyning On J. Yeates for him, also to Cause David P'l to make a

return of the Overplus of R'd Roberts' Land To John Fincher, and to make up his Complement Elsewhere in Pursuance of our Warrant.

9br., 1st. 1703

James Widdows Obtained a Warrant from the Comm'rs dat. 14, 2 mo, '85, for 200 a's On New Rent, in New C. County, which was executed by T. Pierson 18. 12 mo., '85–6, as by a regular return Appears.

The said Land J. Widdows, by an Instrument under his hand, dat. 6. 12 mo., 1702–3, Acknowledges to have sold to Henry Pierce, who hath lived On it about 12 years, and being willing to Clear all Arrears, requests a Patent, which is granted, When Is. Taylor has tried the Measure which he is forthwith to Do. There is due to the 1st mo. Next £22 10s, of which was Paid to Ellis Gibbs, in '98, 6 Bushells at 7s, is 42s, and 4 Bushells to Col. Emps. in 1700, at 5s is 20s, in the whole £32s, remains £19 18s, which he is forthwith to Pay.

9 mo., 8 [1703]

Jos Wood haveing Purchased the Lott adjoyning On his House in Newc., which was Direck Harmenson's since Intermarried with James Sinnexon, of the James and Direck and Anna Harmenson, her Sister (vid. Newc. Min's in Maj'r Donaldson's), Req'ts a Warrant for the Bank, But Joannes Jordin, of Newc., claiming 18 foot of it, his said Claim is first to be heard.

10ber, 27

The Governor of York by Patent dat. 11 Jan., 1667, Granted a Certain Lott in Newc. Strand of 60 foot Between To Henrick Jansen Van Evertson, who by assignment dat. 28, 9br., 71, made Over the Same to Cornels Josisson, whose widdow Geertia and Garrit Otto, her husband, made Over the Same by another assignment, dat. 5th 9br., '78 to Jan Harmenson, whose Daughter, Dirrech or Dorcas, Intermarrying with James Sinnexen, and his Other Daughter Ann, by Deed dat 8 June, 1703, Conveyed the Same to Jos Wood. But Cornel Jossisson leaveing a Daughter, Anna Maria, the true Heiress of the said Lott, who Intermarried with Jos Moore, of New Castle County, Millwright, they, the said Jos, and Anna, his wife, by an Instrument dat. 20 Febr'y, 1702, released their Whole right to the said James Sinnexen and Dorcas, his wife, and Ann Harmensen, who Conveyed as abovesaid. Jos. Wood Requests a Warrant for the Bank Ground.

11 mo., 10th [1703]

The Inhabitants of Newcastle Town haveing Presented a Petition that a Certain Parcell of Marsh On the South West End of said Town might be added to the 1000 acres Granted to them By the Prop'ry for a Com'on, of which Com'on the said Marsh they Declare has Always been Reputed a Part, notwithstanding it has lately been divided from the Same by a Grant made to Wm Houston: Which s'd Petition being Considered 'tis Ordered that the said Marsh be Preserved for the said town and upon No Terms be granted to any Other Person untill we hear further, &c.

ABSTRACTS FROM NEW JERSEY ARCHIVES.

"John Haslet Commanded the regiment of Delaware State Troops. (Battle of Trenton January 3 1777).

For many years he practiced medicine in Dover, Delaware.

He commanded an exceptionally well-drilled and disciplined regiment

He was killed by a bullet passing through his head, and died on the afternoon of the fight.

He was burried in Dover, Delaware"

CUMBERLAND COUNTY, WEST-JERSEY, Aug 21

This day made his escape out of the gaol of said County.

William Glan, born in Said County, but brought up in New Castle County, five feet nine or ten inches high, thin visage, black hair, down look, slender made.

Had on when he escaped, coarse homespun shirt and trowsers, his other cloathes unknown &c &c

JOHN SOULLARD *Gaoler*

Pa. Journal, September 3 1777

MILFORD, DELAWARE,
August 6th, 1909.

The Rev. C. H. B. Turner;

MY DEAR MR. TURNER:

In the Brinckloe-Beswick pedigree, which I sent you last Spring, I desire to make a correction. I stated therein that "Curtis Brinckle was descended, as were all of the Delaware Brinckloes, from William Brinckloe, who died 1722." My correction—verified by the search of Rev. Joseph Brown Turner, & John C. Gooden, as well as by my own investigation, is as follows: The first comers of the Brinckloe family numbered four, namely, John Brinckloe, born about 1644, member of Wm Penns Council, Member of Assembly, Associate Justice, Capt. of Colonial Militia &c and died 1721; and his cousins, John Brinckle, who died 1748. Peter Brinckle, a legatee of Capt. John, married Elizabeth Curtis (daughter of Richard and Ann Curtis and granddaughter of John and Elizabeth Curtis) and died, intestate, 1728—his widow, Elizabeth, died, testate, in 1743; William, Associate Justice, who died 1722. The last three, John, Peter and William, were brothers, and the male line descended from them, their cousin, Capt. John Brinckloe who died 1721, leaving no male issue—his daughter was the wife of Arthur Meston, his granddaughter was the wife of Rev. Thomas Crawford and one of his great granddaughter's was the wife of Caesar Rodney, father of Caesar, the signer.

Children of Peter Brinckle
and Elizabeth Curtis, his wife:

Curtis Brinckle, who married (1st) Mary Manlove, daughter of Matthew, and Susannah Williams Manlove, and (2d) Sarah,—and died 1767; Daniel, who died, without issue, 1754; William, who died, without issue, 1748; Peter, who married Mary—and died 1764, leaving three sons and 1 daughter; Richard, who died 1788, no children; and Elizabeth, who married (1st)—Van Burkalo and (2d)—Davis. (Note: Curtis Brinckle was survived by widow, Sarah, who married (2d) Geo. Ogle.)

Child of said Curtis Brinckle
and Mary Manlove, his first wife,
and heiress of said Mary Manlove-Brinckle.

Phoebe Brinckle, born 1733, married John Beswick (son of Robert Beswick and Susannah, his wife) settled on "Mt Pleasant" tract, on the Mispillion River, and said John Beswick dying in 1771, survived by children, said Phoebe, his widow, married (2d) Smith Fassett, by whom she had no issue. She died in 1801.

Another correction, or rather addition, is:

Susannah Loockerman Beswick, daughter of Curtis Beswick and Susannah Nancy Minors, his wife, *married Nathaniel Luff*, ancestor of the Luff family of Felton.

I will ask you to make these corrections in the papers I sent you last spring.

With regards,

Yours very truly,

JOHN W. HERING.

MARYLAND ARCHIVES.

For His Much Respected Freind
Coll Nathaniell Vty there prsent

From the SAND POYNTE IN DELAWARE BAY *this 20th Aprill 1661*

WORSHIPFUL SR COLL. NATH: VTY

These Lines of myne I am afrayd will be the intelligence of sad tydings, the 17th Day of this moneth here Depted from hence three English men and one Dutchman there names I have not William—— John Norden, Mr Hack a Dutchman and a Cooper, both at Mr Stocketts and one Walter at Mr Rights which persons we feare are murthered by the Indians in their Journey home as yow may further be resolved if yow please to enquire The Indians say their bodyes lay at a place calld Suquasehum the 19th Day here came abt 20 Indians Soe by some of them discovered And I have caused two Indians to be secured in the Corte of Guard, one of them is sett free to informe their Sakim And this Day wee suppose he will be here both Dutch and Indians are very much Displeased at itt but I Demanding Justice of the Governor he knew not well how to deney me my desire is yor Worsp will be pleased to advise and alsoe send some person or persons which may make further Enquiry into the matter As for me I thinke it is pitty such barbarous actons should soe passe It will be as much for me to tenne of to be English men and I pray be Active in this matter of soe greate Concernmt Thus with my respects I rest Yor worspt to Command

WM HOLLINGSWORTH

The Indians that have Committed this murther soe farr as wee perceive, are some of this River, but live up in itt I alsoe advise yow that the Indians Doe threaten to Cutt some other English men that are here in this River to returne home to their familyes if not prvented by some other meanes

WM H.

SR

I understood from Mr Hollingsworth of the murder of foure men belonging to this Province, by the hand of some Indians yor neigbours, And further that upon his accusaton yow had Comitted them to Guard I send this Expresse to yow to be informed of the true State of the matter.

It is not our Custome to putt up the injuryes of Indians, nor to bury the blood of Christians in forgettfullnes & oblivion, Therefore I request yow to deliver me the Indian Prisonrs that I may deale with them according to our Justice in like cases I am now at Spesutia, and there shall remayne till I have provided for the safety of the people and the honor of our naton and there shall Expect an answere from yow to Sr

SPESUTIA 15th May 1661

Yor Servant

P. C

Superscribed

For the honoble Alexander Dhinoijossa
Governor of new Amstell

RIGHT HONORABLE

Yors 15th may ould Style recd, the 26th of New Style out of which wee have seene that upon advice of Mr Hollingsworth yow are come to the Island of Nathanill Uetye for to examine the Lamentable murder done by the Sanhikan Indians unto foure English men; (It is thus) forasmuch as hath appeared to us that here have been foure persons, out of the Province of Maryland, which after two dayes stay departed from hence to their plantatons as they sayd And by the way are mett by the said Indians by whome they are murthered, And on Marettico or the iron hill mett them two Indians comeing from the Minquas Country to one of them they did give a hatt and nothing elce, to the other they gave nothing. The same two Indians came to the Towne, imagining noe thing, but the Murtherers which killd the man did very secretly and speedily pas this place up the River; Two or three Inhabitants of New Amstell did in the meane while lay hould on those two Indians, And I caused them to be brought to the Forte, but after many Examintons found them not Guilty but that it was done by another naton wherefore wee have released them, because the Ignorant cannot suffer for the Guilty otherwise it would be a case grounded on noe reason, besides there is some tyme past betweene, And would have occasioned betweene us and the Indians a Difference which might engage Us with them, to an open Warre, were by the Cultiture of the Country, and the advancemt of the Collony would be much hindered in which apparently yr honr would take noe Comfort nor Content with the two Indians which have not beene actually in the facte,

And therefore lett your honor be assured that the releaseing of the two Indians hath not been done out of any ill Intent nor to the prjudice of soe Good Christians our Neighbours in favour of the Heathens which have Comited from tyme to tyme divers murthers and Robberies upon our owne naton also, Wishing that wee could lay hould of this Good oppertunity in revenging our selves upon the Murtherers alsoe, to Conclude yor honor may be confident that the Shedding of Christian blood is most detestable unto us assuring yor selfe that wee shall Contribute in all thinges to the pr servacon of freindship with neighbours of our beleife for as much as might be done without pr judice to our own naton, Soe I Committ yor Honor to Gods keepeing whoe will give his blessings to yor Governt Soe I rest

Yor Serviceable freind

Praise God above all things 1661 ALEX DHINOIJOSSA

MR WRIGHT

Be pleased to doe soe much as to lett me knowe, how it is with yow &c. the rest for trade.

The Indians threaten to kill me and that is the reason I cannot come I must watch my house with seaven or Eight Guns Loaden and I have noe comforte from the Inhabitants here Indians and Dutch both saying that I am an English man, I wish I could have

tyme to speake ½ an houre with yo^w Mr Hollingsworth is very sorry he heares noe answere of his letter Give every body notice and look to yor selves night and Day the Indians are very strong and not farre from yo^w I would have writt more, but I Dare not dare, warne James at Turkey Poynte to remove

15th May 1661

Yo^r Loveing Servant

GARRETT RUTTEN

When yo^w have read this lre burne it in the fyre

AT A COUNCELL HELD AT SPESUTIA 21 MAY 1661 } Present Governor Secretary Baker Brooke Edward Lloyd John Bateman

Then was p^rsented this following Letter

NEW AMSTELL 20th May 1661
Stilo novo

RIGHT HONORABLE

My last the six and twentyth of May was in haste because the Indians would not staye by the same I Did assume yor Honor of the upright affecton which wee have for the keepeing of a good Neighbourship I have by this occasion

Abraham Van Nas goeing that waye by Instructon ordered and authorized for to declare by worde of mouthe that Licence to departe to the two Indians that were apprehended was not in favor of the Barbarous Heathens nor to the p^rjudice of soe Good Neighbours they haveing not been accessory to the Murther wherefore I could not keepe them Such proceedings not being agreeable with our natons Custome being a Case that will bring us into greate Danger of a Warre and a Quarrell with the Indians It being now 16 Dayes past before wee had any Intelligence from the Province of Maryland in that behalfe

Wee therefore Doe assure yor honor that wee will be upon all occasions willing wee hope that in tyme to come there will be a good traffique Betweene us through this present difference Betwixt yo^w and the Indians of this Rivor are something Disfavourable to itt Yett wee hope that the Almighty God will showe an expedient waye that those differences might be composed for the warres are pr judiciall to the Commons and uncertayne how they might fall out nor what tyme they may take that the whole naton for five or six evell Doers Should suffer, is a thing to be Lamented yett needefull that the Murtherers should be punished for an Example I have in Generall understood from the Indians that they with the English upon very advatagious Conditons with the English make peace that such ugly faults be noe more Committed In case I can serve yor Honor in the like business I shall be willing to incline to itt and soe wishing Yo^r honor a happy Governm^t and a Good end of these troubles shall rest

Yo^r honors affectionate freind
and Servant

ALEXANDER DHYNOIJOSSA

After which was called in Abraham Van has in the said Letter menconed whoe being desired to declare what he had in Commis-

sion to say from the Governor Alexander Dhinoijossa. Declared that they had done their Endeavor to detevne the Indian Murtherers but could not for want of power to defend themselves any longer keepe them, that in Revenge of what they had done the Indians had burned them a Mill which they were forced to passe by for the present till they should be better able to avenge themselves of the Injury that the Governor had of the Sandhooke Did send for the King of those Indians that had Committed the aforesaid murder. And Demanded of them the reason why they did it Answere was made that it was done by a Company of Vagabone Rouges that delighted in mischeife and run from naton to naton which if they could catch they would deliver them up to Justice, but that since they had done it they were fledd

At a Councell held at Appoquimmin

Thursday 19th Sept 1661

Present.

Philip Calvert Esqr Governor
Henry Coursey Esqr Secretary
and Mr John Bateman Councill

Came Pinna King of Pickhattomitta in Delaware Bay shewing that whereas there had been divers men slayne by the English belonging to the Passayoncke Indians now under his Command and amongst them his oune brother in revenge of which divers English had been slayne by those Indians Yet that as he did believe all those outrages were committed by the English without order from the Governor and Councell soe he did assure the Governor and Councell that those revenges were taken by his Indians without his or any of his greate mens knowledge therefore he did desire that all might be forgotten and that from henceforward his Indians might live in peace with the English To which the Governor answered that as he did desire peace soe he did Desire Justice alsoe and provided that they would deliver up those Indians that killed John Norden and Sepherin Hack with his Companions to be proceeded against according to our Justice he would come to Articles of peace with him.

Whereunto Pinna answered that the English had begun the warre and first killed one of his men as he was peaceably comeing by their plantaton oversett their Canowe out of which they lost three Gunns afterwards pursued them into the woods and there shott at them, that as his Indians fledd (haveing lost one man and their Goods) on their way home they mett the said Norden and Hack and Companions and contrary to the advice of an ould man of the Company that stood weepeing by and perswadeing them to speake with the greate men of the English first Did kill the said Norden and Hack and Companions saying that the English would have warre but that sence that tyme the English had sett upon two Canowes of Indians and killed five of them and amongst them his own brother all which notwithstanding he was willing and desirous to make peace between us and his Indians forgetting the blood of his oune brother Then did the Governor demand satisfaction for the Cattle and hoggs of

John Taylor To which he answered yt they were not killed by his Indians for they immediately fled, but by Minquas or Sinigos

Whereupon was taken into consideracon the Informacon of John Taylor Thomas Overton and others taken at Spesutia 13th May last and finding the Relaton of Pinna in the maine to agree with the said Informations and the Governor and Councell calling to minde that the said John Taylor after his Informaton in wryting taken had often sayd that John Forster whoe shott att the Indian (as p Informaton) affirmed that he had killed him

Resolved to come to Articles with the said Pinna upon this Consideraton that the English had begun the warre by the said John Forster killing the said Indian upon Easter daye

And forasmuch as it is certaine that the said Indians whome Forster shott at immediately fledd after they killed Forster in the woods and upon the 17th Day of Aprill mett Norden and Hack neere the Iron hill upon the Easterne Shoare and there murdered them and that the Minqua or Sinigo Indians were aboute that tyme doeing mischeife and killing Cattle aboute Patapsco Rivor and those Quarters as appeares by the Informaton of Robert Gosserch taken 13th May aforesaid.

Resolved that all further Demand of satisfacton for those cattle be waved and that sufficient provision in the Articles be made for the Security of our stocks of Cattle and hoggs for the future, and that the treaty be imediately begun least Generall Styvesant at the Manhatans make an advantage by those Indians against us It being doubted whether there be a warre betweene Holland and England or not

William Eltonhead gent made oath that about the beginning of June in the year 1642 in fetter lane London, in the hearing of this dept Jane & Eleanr Stevenson did contract wth Sr Edmond Tloydon Knt in certaine conditions of service to this effect, viz that they were to serve him for 5 yeares from that time in New Albion in delaware Bay & were to have 50s sterling P annum & they to find themselves clothes, & other conditions betweene them he remembreth not

Feb 5. 1644

Jurat coram me JOHN LEWGAR

ASSEMBLY PROCEEDINGS MAY–JUNE 1674

To Capt Howell for his march to the Whorekill Two thousand pounds of Tobacco to the said Howell for thirty five men at foure hundred pounds of Tobacco p man foureteen thousand pounds of tobacco.

To the same Howell for his Lewetent seaven hundred pounds of Tobacco for his ensigne six hundred pounds of Tobacco, and for his sargeant five hundred pounds of Tobacco.

In all eighteen hundred pounds of Tobacco to the said Howell for provision and necessaries seaven hundred seaventy and six pounds of tobacco for his attendance upon a prisoner at warr.

The case of Henry Ward of Caecill county gentleman

Whereas Complaint hath been made to the Burgesses & Delegates of the Lower house of Assembly & there Sufficient proved That the

said Henry Ward being Elected a Member to serve in the Lower house of the Last assembly & being there sitting did Informe the said lower house that he had a very good horse lost in the Country service in the Expediton to the Whorekills And that the Lower house giveing Creditt to such Informaton did thinke fitt to allow him out of the Publick Leavy Eighteene hundred pounds of Tobacco to which his Lordshipp the then Capⁿ Generall & upper house did assent unto And itt being now made evidently appeare to this house That the said Ward lost noe such horse in the Publick service and that the said allegaton was most egregrously false & that thereby he had Exceedingly abused his Lordshipp & both houses of Assembly & the whole Country, &c. Fined 4000 lbs of tobacco

At a Council held at St Mary's the two and twentieth day of October One thousand six hundred & sixty nine

Ordered that from the Whore Kill to the degree forty Northerly Latitude be erected into a County and called by the Name of Durham County and that from the Hore kill to Mount Scarborough be likewise erected into a County &c.

Charges against Baltimore 1676

"The exployet of the wherekill in Delewar Bay. when the inhabitants powder and shot, guns, pistolls, shoes stokkins and cloaths from the peoples fete pressed off, provision taken by force and vyolence, contrary to the liberties and priviledges of the King's Majtys free born subjects of England.

The Hee did press 500 men, by Capt Howell from the head of the Bay, to goe in the very winter a hundred and 40. or 50 miles down to the wherekill Aº 73 to burn a few poore inhabitants out off all their houses, corn and everything els they hath, leaving poore weemen with child naked, to the mercy of a desperat hard winter when no botes nor reliefe could com to them, divers perished in that very misery &c

SIR

Mr Brook who will have the honor to deliver you this is a gentleman that has for some time filld a Mission at New Castle and has behaved in such a manner as to gain the esteem not only of his congregation but of many others in this Province. He tells me that the air of New Castle does not agree with his health and obliges him to seek a settlement in his native country Maryland, You will permit me to give him this testimonial of his behavour and to recommend him as a sensible worthy man to your notice and favour.

I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obedt
Humble Srvt
ROBT. H. MORRIS

PHILADA Augst 30
1756
GOVR SHARPE

Plea of Jacob Young of Cecill County Planter &c

That the said Jacob Young in the Year 1675 did not live and Inhabit in Cecil County nor in any Places within this Province, but did then live & inhabit in Delaware untill August 1676 about which time the said Jacob Young rece'd a writing Dated the 14th Augt 1676 in these Words foll. (Suffer the bearer hereof Jacob Young the Interpreter together with the Embassadors of the Susquehannah Nation to pass freely to St Maries in this Province of Maryland, and from thence Safely to return to New Castle &c

At a Councill held at St Maryes the 5th day of Aprill 1688

Their Honrs haveing been informed of a murther comitted at the Hore Kills, and the murtherer fled into Dorchester County and by the Comissrs of Said Dorchester County Deld back for his Tryall at the Hore Kills, it was debated whether the said Comrs of Dor: County had performed their duty in soe doeing; it not as yet being otherwise determined but that the said Hore Kills ought to be under his Lops Governmt & resolved that noe notice be taken of this present, but that his Lops opinion in things of this nature be prayed

New Castle

These are by the King and Queens Authority, and in the Proprietors Name to will and require thee Henry Vanderburgh to be and appear before the Justices of the Quarter Sessions to be held at Newcastle the twentieth day of September next as well as to answer for withholding one thousand Pounds Sterl due to their Majestys as to abide the Judgement of the said court and hereof fail not at thy Peril Given at New Castle August 8th 1692

To the high Sheriff of the
County of New Castle

This is a true Copy of the Originall Summons granted at the request of Edward Randolph Esqr Surveyor Generall Exd p Ja Claypoole Cl Concl pr dict The Originall of the above was executed by me

George Moor
Depty Sheriff

Received this 8th of August 1692 of James Claypoole Deptv Secry a Bond signed and sealed by Matthias de Hart Masr of the Sloop Unity of New York and Henry Vanderburgh his Surety of One thousand pounds Sterl to their Majestys upon condition to Carry his Lading to England Wales or Berwick, and nowhere else

Dated at New Castle April 24 1691.

I say rec'd above Edward Randolph *Surveyor Generall*

New Castle August 8th 1692

I did then promise to Henry Vanderburgh Mercht to use my utmost Endeavour to prosecute and get arrested at the sute of their Majestys Matthias de Hart Masr of the Sloop Unity of New York in an accot of 1000£ due upon Bond dated the 24th of Aprill 1691 (Henry Van-

derburgh Merchant his Security) and to secure if possible the said Vanderburgh from further trouble in this Prosecution

EDWARD RANDOLPH *Surveyor Generall*

Bee it Remembered that this 16th day of August 1692 at New Castle in Delaware River Henry Vanderburgh of the sd place Mercht Declares that on the 8th of this instant Edward Randolph Esq did Summon him the said Henry Vanderburgh to appear at the next Quarter Session to answer for withholding 1000£ Sterling due their Majestys he being as Surety bound in a bond with Matthias de Hart Masr of the Sloop Unity of New York for the said sum to their Majestys but the said Edward Randolph told for twenty pieces of eight and paying the Fees he would withdraw the Action and prosecute the Bond agt Matthias de Hart the Principall to which the said Henry Vanderburgh Cumplyed and the action was accordingly withdrawn whereupon the said Esqr Randolph gave him a paper which he thought to be a Receipt for the money a Copey whereof is above

HENRY VANDERBURGH

Taken and attested this 16th August 1692 before me

WM MARKHAM *Lt Govr*

NEW CASTLE IN DELAWARE RIVER
IN AMERICA

Edward Blake one of the Justices of New Castle declares that about the 8th of August 1692 at the request of Mr Edward Randolph Surveyor Generall he went into a room at the house of John Cann in Company with Henry Vanderburgh and discoursed about the 1000£ bond to the King wherein the said Vanderburgh was security and told him if he would be civill and Genteel he would endeavour to indemnify him from the said bond whereupon the said Vanderburgh offered 8 or 10 pees of eight which the said Randolph would not accept of but said if he would give him his note for 20 pees of eight he would do it, upon which they went to the attestants house where the said Vanderburgh paid the said Edward Randolph the money

EDWD BLAKE

Attested and taken this 3d September 1692 before me

WM MARKHAM *Lt Govr*

STATE OF DELAWARE } On this 28th day of July 1860 before me a
COUNTY OF KENT S S } Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State personally appeared Daniel Godwin aged near 86 years old who being duly sworn deolars and says that the was Capt. of a Company of Delaware Vollentears in the ware of 1812 that his said Company was at Lewestown Delaware on blank day of April 1813 or when the british fired the Rockets up on said Town and when they found we were prepared to meat them they retreted and run up the bay and said Godwin was ordered by the Comanding officer say Coln. Samuel B. Davis to march my men up the said bay severl miles to White

Oak Iland and encamp oppisit the British and when the british found we ware ther they then run back and made the 2nd attact on the Town before we got back and that Pr? Townsand know Decst? was a vollenteare in said Company and was in the first attact and further says that he (said Godwin) has recd a warent for 160 acres of Land for his servises at said time and also at the same time appeard Nehemiah Prettyman aged 70 years who being sworn states that he was a Volenteer in Capt. Godwins Company and was personaly acquanted with P. Townsend know decst and that said Townsand was a member of Capt. Godwins Company and was on duty at the attact upon the Town in April 1813 and also states that he (said Pretyman) has received a warent for 160 acrs of land for said services and that John Bennet has recd a warrent for 160 acres of land and answers? Wilson Sharkeys widow has recd a warent for 160 acoers of land all belong to Capt. Godwins Company.

Copy.

On the back of the paper.

This papers are from John H. Noyes the Lawer at Washington.

N. B. This is a copy of an original paper in the possession of Col. Theodore Townsend, Milford, Delaware.

GEORGETOWN RECORDS.

Deale Court 1681.

The Court grant to William Shore Two Hundred Acres of Land warrt given out the 15th $\frac{mo}{2}$ 1681.

The Court grant to Richard Adkinson Two Hundred Acres of Land warrt given out 15th $\frac{mo}{2}$ 1681.

The Court grant to Sampson Adkinson Two Hundred Acres of Land warrt given out 15th $\frac{mo}{2}$ 1681.

The Court grant to Robert Johnson Senr Sumersett five Hundred Acres of Land warrt given out 15th $\frac{mo}{2}$ 1681.

The Court grant to Thomas Yemon One Hundred & fifty Acres of Land warrt given out the 15th $\frac{mo}{2}$ 1681.

The Court grant to Capt Henery Smith five Hundred Acres of Land warrt given out 7th $\frac{mo}{10}$ 1681.

The Court grant to Robert Williams Two Hundred Acres of Land warrt given out the 15th $\frac{mo}{10}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto Phillip Morrise four Hundred Acres of Land warrent given out 15th Instant for the sd Land.

The Court grant unto John Dickerson four Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out the 15th $\frac{mo}{2}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto Richard Williams four Hundred Acres of Land Richard Williams warrt given out 15th $\frac{mo}{2}$ 1681.

The Court order and grant unto John Hagester four Hundred Acres of Land A warrt given Out the 26th $\frac{mo}{11}$ 1681.

The Court Grant Grigrey Pond Two Hundred Acres of Land wart given out the 20th Inst.

The Court Grant John Holland Three Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out the 0th $\frac{mo}{2}$ 1682.

The Court granted George Roe Two Hundred Acres of Land warrant Given out the 20th Instant.

The Court granted Edward Southrin five Hundred Acres of Land warrent Given out the 6th $\frac{mo}{7}$ 1681.

The Court granted Charles Jones Two Hundred Acres of Land, warrent given out the 8th 1682 to Will Carter.

The Court grant to Robert Johnson One Hundred and fifty acres of Land warrent Given out 27th $\frac{mo}{12}$ 1681.

The Court grant to John Normon Two Hundred Acres of Land.

The Court grant to Cornelius Verhoofe Two Hundred Acres of Land warrent given out the 2th $\frac{mo}{2}$ 1682.

The Court grant unto John Struate four Hundred Acres of Land warrent given out the $\frac{mo}{12}$ 1681.

At a called Court held for this County 29th day of the month called March 1681 for granting of Land The Court granted Roger Gom Three Hundred Acres of Land wart given out the 30th $\frac{mo}{1}$ 1681.

The Court granted John Rawling four Hundred Acres of Land warrt given out the 20th Instant.

The Court granted to Thomas Roberts four Hundred Acres of Land warrt given out the 30th $\frac{mo}{1}$ 1681.

The Court granted to Francis Goodson Two Hundred Acres of Land warrt given out 30th $\frac{mo}{1}$ 1681.

The Court grant to John Emmitt four Hundred Acres of Land warrt given out 30th $\frac{mo}{1}$ 1681.

The Court granted to Richard Law Three Hundred Acres of Land warrt given out 30th $\frac{mo}{1}$ 1681 renewed the 21st $\frac{mo}{6}$ 84.

The Court grant unto William Apleby by his Attorney Henery Bowman three Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out 26th day $\frac{mo}{5}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto Thomas Tilton by his attorney Henery Bowman Six Hundred Acres of Land warrent given out 26th day $\frac{mo}{5}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto Yoakom Goylan by his attorney Henery Bowman four Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out 26th day $\frac{mo}{5}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto John Finsh by his attorney Henery Bowman Six Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out 26th day $\frac{mo}{5}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto Richard Stevens by his Attorney Edward Southrin Six Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out 14th $\frac{mo}{7}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto Nortton Claypoole by his Attorney John Hill five Hundred Acres of Land warrent given out 25th $\frac{mo}{11}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto Thomas Wellborn by his Attorney Henery Bowman Eight Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out the 10th day of the 3 month 1683.

The Court grant unto Robert Twelley by his Attorney John Vines four Hundred Acres of Land.

The Court grant unto John Davids by his Attorney Thomas Davids Two Hundred acres of Land.

The Court grant unto John Croper one Thousand Acres of Land warrt given out the 6th $\frac{mo}{12}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto Luke Wattson Junr upon a petition put into this Court for that purpose, the Three Hundred Acres of Land that was James Leyes he paying for the patton, he the said James Leyes never seating or Improving any part of the said Land & absenting himself out of the Countrey if clear from the Lawfull Claim of any other.

The Court grant unto William Durnall of the City of New York Marchant—One Thousand Acres of Land warrent given out the 10th $\frac{mo}{12}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto Abraham Potter Three Hundred Acres of Land warrt given out the 22th $\frac{mo}{11}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto John Sanidge Eight Hundred Acres of Land warrt given out the 10th $\frac{mo}{12}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto William Butler Thirty Acres of Land ajoyning his Land already taken up warrant given out ye 6th $\frac{mo}{4}$ 1682.

The Court grant unto William Clark five Hundred Acres of Land warrent given out the 6th $\frac{mo}{12}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto Thomas Pemberton Eight Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out the 6th $\frac{mo}{12}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto Phillip Morrise One Hundred Acres of Land more then what he had a grant for before warrant given out 10th $\frac{mo}{11}$ 1681 for the whole.

The Court grant unto William Page four Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out the 11th $\frac{mo}{11}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto James Gray One Thousand Acres of Land warrant given out the same day.

The Court grant unto John Murromb five Hundred Acres of Land warrt given out the same day.

The Court grant unto Alexander Moliston five Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out the same day.

The Court grant unto Thomas Hassoh four Hundred Acres of Land warrent given out 25th $\frac{mo}{12}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto Robert Warron Three Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out 15th Instant.

The Court grant unto Thomas Dunton six Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out the 15th Instant.

The Court grant unto John Hill Two Hundred Acres of Land to be aded to his former grant of three Hundred Acres warrant given out the 24th $\frac{mo}{12}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto John Kiphaven five Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out the same day.

The Court grant unto William Rodney five Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out the same day.

The Court grant unto Nortton Claypoole five Hundred Acres of Land warrt given out the 27th $\frac{mo}{12}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto Robert Hudson five Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out the 31th $\frac{mo}{11}$ 1680.

The Court grant unto William Trippoth Three Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out the 31th $\frac{mo}{11}$ 1682.

The Court grant unto Samuel Gray five Hundred Acres of Land warrt given out the 6th $\frac{mo}{11}$ 1682.

The Court grant unto Richard Lawes Two Hundred Acres of Land to be aded to his Former grant of Three Hundred Acres warrant given out 24th $\frac{mo}{12}$ 1681

The Court grant unto Edward Williams five Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out the 25th $\frac{mo}{12}$ 1681.

The Court grant unto Jacob Shattham Three Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out the 15th Instant.

The Court grant unto William Wargent Three Hundred Acres of Land Warrant given out the 2th day of ye $\frac{mo}{2}$ 1682.

The Court grant unto William Dunton Four Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out the 18th $\frac{mo}{1}$ 1682.

The Court grant unto Daniel Darby six Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out the 11th day $\frac{mo}{2}$ 1682 renewed ye 11mo 7br 86.

The Court grant unto Thomas Hall six Hundred Acres of Land warrant given out the 11th day $\frac{mo}{2}$ 1682.

MARYLAND AND NEW YORK WILLS.

Francis Jenkins Somerset Co. July 9, 1708

To James Smith of Virginia &c
" John Croush 300 acres "Hogneck" &c
" mother Mary King, to Capt Charles Ballard and to Eleanor his wife, personalty,
" brother Robert King, 300 acres, "Forked Neck" &c
" wife Mary executrix residue of estate, including "Pershore" at Delaware Bay, &c &c

Witness
CALDWELL WILLIAMS, WM MILES

Woodman Stockley Somerset Co. May 20, 1710

To eldest son Woodman 150 acres, his dwelling plantation "Bradford Hall" in Sussex County and in Angola
" 3 sons Joseph, Benjamin, and Oliver, 300 acres, part of Cedar Neck &c
" daughters Elizabeth & Temperance, personalty
" wife Jane, personalty
" Jacob Morris 200 acres "Fenwick Choyce."

Witnesses. COMFORT MORRIS, RHODO STOCKLEY, WOODMAN STOCKLEY JR., JOHN STOCKLEY, MARK EVANS

Inventory of the estate of Matthew Taylor, "taken the 7th day of the 1st month, 168⅞. Spannish money, £48. Boston money, &c &c. A Patent for 500 acres of land on Herring Creek in Sussex County, Delaware.

In the name of God Amen. I Dick Jans Van de Venter, of New York, mariner, being sick, do make my will this sixth day of May 1678. & &cc

I have hereunto set my hand and seal on board ye Sloop called New York, riding at anchor before the town of New Castle, in Delaware

Witnesses CAPTAIN G. CANTIVELL, JAN CORNELLISEN CLAAS DIETLOOPS, EPHRAIM HERMANS.

Endorsed with Certificate that Ephraim Hermans was the Clerk of New Castle, June 10, 1684

Mary Ricketts, of New York, widow. Daughter Violetta, wife of Edward Hicks, daughter Elizabeth Hicks, daughter Mary Van Cortlandt.

I leave to my two nephews, Abraham and Matthew Walton, "of Ducks Creek," £50. Richard Walton of Staten Island.

Brother William Walton New York, to William son of William, and Jacob son of Jacob Walton, New York

Dated May 16. 1740

Witnesses. ELIZABETH BRIGGS, ELIZABETH HUDDLESTONE, ABRAHAM LODGE

Complaints to Court of Mayor and Alderman Dirck Willems complains against Isaac Molyne: That sometime in ye first of this present month he arrived at New Castle, in Delaware, with his Pink, called Diligence, and took on board for the Plaintiff 21 Hogsheads of Tobacco, to be delivered unto ye Dock of New York and to have 50 lbs. of tobacco for each hogshead, but by reason of neglect of Defendant some of it was utterly spoyled

October 1680

FROM NEW YORK WILLS.

New York, August 3, 1781. Last Will and Testament of Mrs Jane Maloney, desires and requests, if she should die of her present illness, that her son, James Maloney, should be left in care of until such time as its convenient to send said child to Mrs Anna Councill, sister to the above Jane Maloney, in Wilmington, New Castle, unless intercepted by Mr. Peter Maloney, father to the child

Also I do desire that Mr Benjamin Gatfield will pay to Mrs Anna Butler – – – recompense for her trouble in maintaining my child

In Witness whereof both Jane Maloney and I do interchangeably sign our Hands

JANE MALONEY. BENJAMIN GATCHFIELD

In the name of God, Amen. I. Rawley Kane, of the city of New Castle on Delaware, mariner. After all debts are paid I leave to my loving friend, Archileas Lewis, of New York, innkeeper, all my estate, real and personal, and make him executor

Dated August 4. 1757

Witnesses. JOSEPH COX, upholsterer, EDWARD VANES, SAMUEL CLARKE

MARYLAND WILLS.

Robert Parke, Kent County, Md

To son Robert and hrs., home plantation

" " Edward, ex., at 18 years of age, 500 As., "Lathum" St. George's Creek, Delaware, part of a tract of land granted testator and John Darby

Wife Diana 2d 1st wife Eliza. daughter Eliza

Dec. 24. 1684

Peter Mounce, Cecil County. Jan. 3. 1676

Son Andrew Peterson, ex. and sole Legatee of estate in Delaware and Maryland, at 21 years of age

Walter Dickinson, Talbot County. Feb. 3, 1680

Son William, ex., &c

Sons Charles and Walter, land on Delaware Bay

Thomas Forbey or Furby Talbot Co. Jan. 21. 1684

Wife Hanna, daughter Sophia at 17 years of age &c 100 acres in New Castle County,

daughter Eliza Evens, daughter-in-law Hanna Baxter 100 acres in New Castle County, sons-in-law Thomas and Roger Baxter

Edmund Gibbon, of Delaware River. Feb. 21. 1685

To young brother Francis Gibbon, all land on Pa. side except "Muberry Swamp;" lands at Carolina and on Rariton River; also various interests in the Barbadoes, and testator's share of tract of land belonging to himself and Wm Clarke.

"Edmond, son of elder brother George Gibbon of Bemendon in Kent, part of "Mulberry Swamp" at Dover, Kent County.

"elder brother George, all land at Covansey in Phenixes Colony; to pass to his son Edmond &c.

"brothers George and Francis, land at Smith's Valley in New York.

"brother Thomas Stretton and his wife, part of "Mulberry Swamp," and personalty on Long Island.

"Sisters Ann and Martha, and kinswoman Eliza: Kadwell, personalty

Executors, Francis Gibbon, Thos. Stretton, Geo. Gibbon, Jno. Edmundson, Jas. Nevell of Salem

Richard Davis, Somerset County

Nov. 15. 1696

To daughter Martha, personalty

" son Richard, executor, plantation

" 3 sons, viz. Richard, William, and John &c equally 250 Acres, between Fishing and Broad Creek

Witnesse

Wm Coulbourne, Ephraim Wilson, Nath'l Horsey

John Collison, Dorchester Co. July 15, 1699

To daughter Eliza, personalty

" " Grace, at majority, residue of estate, including 300 Acres at the Horekells

Executor Jas. Foxom

Witnesses. Wm Meredith Edward Turnnor

John Edmondson, Tred Haven Creek, Talbot Co

To wife Sarah &c.

" son James, all lands in neck where testator lived &c

" son William 1000 acres bought of Jno Hollan on Duck Creek

" son Thomas residue of "Richardson Folly" &c

" son Samuel, part of "Huckard" &c when 20 years of age

" daughter Eliza Stevens 500 acres bought of John Richardson &c

" grandchild Edmundson Stevens 900 acres of land in Kent Co. Pa.

To Philip, James, and Abraham Morgan Jr., jointly 800 acres at head of Motherkill in Pa.
" son Abraham Morgan and Eliza, personalty
" grandchild Catherine Brooks 200 acres at Indian Town
Ratifies will of deceased son John, and desires all lands in Pennsylvania and Maryland not devised in will sold.

Witnesses JNO. NEDELLS, FRANCIS PERKINS, WM HARRIS, MICHAEL MACKGINNY

James Clayland Talbot Co. July 13. 1699

To eldest son William, land on Choptanke River.
" son Roger, 200 acres &c
" " John, 200 " "
Land at New Castle and in West Jersey to be sold.
Wife Eliza. 4 daughters

Witness JNO. BRADSHAW, JNO POOLEY, MARY POOLEY

John Thompson, Cecil Co. Dec. 10. 1701

To son Richard dwelling &c on Back Creek, Elk River
" " John, "Corobough"
" " Augustine 300 acres &c
" " Robert, plantation on Back Creek
" daughter Jeane, house at New Castle and ⅓ of a farm in New York belonging jointly to testator and Col. Bayard
" wife Judith executor

Witnesses JNO. BOYTER, CHRISTIAN BOYTER ELIZA: BROCKSON, MARTIN MUGGENBERY

John Riley, Cecil Co Oct. 10. 1700

To wife (unnamed) ⅓ &c
" eldest son John, dwelling at decease of Mother.
" son William 150 acres in Newcastle on Sassafras Creek
" son George 150 acres in Newcastle County on Sassafras Creek
" son Richard, residue in Newcastle Co.
" " Nicholas, 150 acres of "Ryleys Industry"
" " James 150 " " " "

Witnesses, JNO STOOP, JNO HYNSON, JEREMIAH BATEMAN

Jacob Miars, Kent Co. May 25. 1710

To daughter Mary and unborn child 200 acres at Duck Creek Pa.
" wife Lidia &c
" brother Stephen, personal estate, provided he remain with said wife during his minority

Witnesses ABRAHAM REDGRAVE, JOHN TWENERY, KATHERINE TURNER

Richard Hall Talbot Co. April 29. 1704

To son Richard, dwelling &c at decease of his mother-in-law, Jeane Hall
" daughter Hannah, part of "Smith's Clifts"
" son-in-law William Thompson, part of "Smith's Clifts"
" " " Wm Typpen " " " "
" son Richard and son-in-law William Typpen jointly heirs on west side of Delaware River in Pa. "Brenckler Range,"
" granddaughter Sarah Typpen, daughters Mary Thompson, and Hannah, at majority, and the Quakers, personalty
Executors Wife Jeane aforesaid and son Richard

Witnesses JNO. BAYNARD, DAVID AVERY, WM WILSON

William Rickards, Somerset Co. April 14. 1712

To brother John Rickards, personalty
" wife Eliza, personalty &c
" nephews Thomas and Joshua Robinson, sons of William Robinson, land next Indian Town Assawamun Creek

Witnesses DOROTHY RAPPHANE WRIXHAM WHITE, MARY WOODCRAFT.

Samuel Hopkins Sr. Somerset Co. Jan 20. 1703-4

To eldest son Samuell land &c at the decease of his mother, "my new wife," Hannah.
" 2n son Nathaniell, 300 acres in confines of Indian River
" grandson Samuell, only son of Andries Dirrickson, and his deceased wife, Temperance, 500 acres "Vines Neck"
" granddaughter Mary, only daughter of said Dirrickson, 300 acres &c
Executors: Son-in-law Col. Wm Whittington, and son Samuel aforesaid

Witnesses
JOHN WEBB, BRYAN PEART, JOHN FRANKLYN, JAMES FULLERTON

MARYLAND ARCHIVES.

Gov. Horatio Sharpe to Caecilius Calvert

There are two livings vacant in Worcester County. One of them Valued at 30000lbs weight of Tobacco, the other only at 17000lb weight p Annum but will after the decease of Mr Adams receive an addition of about 13000lb p. Ann:

I shall according to his Lordship Instructions induct Mr. Harris to the last.

Aug 20. 1753

Sharpe to Calver

I am sorry I have reason to think myself obliged not to comply with my Lords instructions in respect to Mr. Harris——he being charged with the forgery of a Bill during his residence in London.

Sept. 14. 1753

THE GOVERNOR THE SECRETARY
CAPT JAMES NEALE

At a Councell held at Sasquehanough Point July 1st 1661

Was read this following Clause in a letter from his Lop Dated London 14th December 1660 post alliqua (vizt) Captaine Neale being by the late Acte for Navigacon putt by his Voyage in the Dutch ship he intended is gone as a Passenger for Maryland in an English vessell he was at the Isle of Wight on 16th of the last moneth upon his voyage to yow I hope when he comes yow and he and my other friends will thinke upon some speedy and effectuall waye for Reduceing the Dutch in Delaware Baye The New England men will be assisting in itt and Secretary Ludwell of Virginia assured me before he went from hence that the Virgineans will be soe too But it were well to be done with all Celerity convenient because perhaps the New England men falling upon them at Manhatas may take in the head to fall upon them at Delaware too and by that means prtend some tytle to the place &c

Whereupon the Councell tooke a viewe of his Lops Comon to the said Captaine James Neale Granted for the leavying of men to make warre upon certain ennemies Piratts, and Robbers that had usurped a parte of Delaware Baye lying within the fortyeth Degree of Northerly Latitude as followeth (vizt)

And upon Consideraton had first that it is very doubtfull whether the Towne of New Amstell doe lye within the lymitts of this Province or not, and that his Lorp Doth not authorize a warre with any but such as have usurped some parte of this Province or shall abett or ayde such as have usurped some parte of this Province. And next that his Lop hath left it as appears by the words of the letter to us to finde the waye to reduce the supposed Intruders and Usurpers

upon Confidence and of Assistance from Virginia and New England that might be given us which doth not at all seeme likely the Dutch Trade being the Darling of the People of Virginia as well as this Province and indeed all other Plantacons of the English, and this Province alone not being able to beare the Charge of the Warre that will thence insue with the West Indian Company in Holland upon any Attempt upon that place which not only from their Protestacon first of September last made at Amsterdam but also by late letters from Holland appears to be resolved on by them in case any force shall be used by us against the Towne of New Amstell Resolved that all Attempts be forborne against the said Towne of New Amstell till such tyme as letters from his Lop may againe be had in answere of what hath been written to his Lop concerning this Affaire and that Observacon may be taken at the head of the Baye of Chesepeack thereby to finde certainely whether the said Towne of New Amstell Doe lye within the fortyeth degree of Northerly Latitute or not and further that tryall be made whether Assistance from Virga may be had and from New England for the Reduceing and mayntenance of that place against the Dutch

Letter to the Governor of the New Netherlands

SIR

Some servants being lately fledd out of this colony, into yours, as is supposed, we could not but promise orselves from you the iustice & faire correspondence betweene the two governments so neerly bordring & wch are shortly like to be nearer neighbors in delaware bay, as to hope that upon the receiving of these or lres & the demand of the pties interested you will remand to us all such apprentice servants as are or shall run out of this govermt in to yours; and will compel such other persons, as shall flie to you without a passe, being indebted or otherwise obnoxious to the iustice of this place, to make such satisfaction to the parties endamaged by their unlawful departure, upon their complaint & proofe thereof as you shall find iustice to require. And you may promise yor selfe the like helpe & concurrence from this government in that or any other thing shalbe in the power of it; And so we bid you heartily farewell & rest

To the horle the Governor of
the new netherlands 1643

By the Lieutenant &c of Maryland

Whereas Capt. Thomas Adams Mariner having lately purchased a plantacon within this Province of Maryland (as I am informed) intending with Convenient Speed to Seat the Same and to inhabit here and hath promised and undertaken to Endeavour to worke and procure an Intercourse of trade and Commerce between the English Inhabitants of this Province and those of the Swedish Nation Inhabiting in Delaware Bay which probably may redound much to the benefitt and advantage of this Commonwealth if he may be authorized therein by the Government here.

These are therefore in the Lord Porprs Name to Licence and Authorize the Said Thomas Adams with his vessell or vessells to trade or

Traffick with those of the Swedish Nation in Delaware Bay or in any other part of this Province being not Enemys to the Commonwealth of England as alsoe with any Indians on the Eastern Shore of the Bay of Chesepeack &c &c

18th day of March Anno Dni 1653

Proceedings of Council August 3d 1659

Then was taken into Consideracon his Lops Instruction & Command to send to the Dutch in Delaware bay seated within his Lops Province to command them to be gon. & Ordered That Coll: Nathaniell Vtie do make his repaire to the pretended Governor of a People seated in Delaware bay within his lops Province & that he do give them to Vnderstand that they are seated within this his Lops Province without Notice Given to his Lordships Lieutenant heere & to require him to depart this Province

That in case he find opportunity he insinuate unto the People there seated that in case they make theyr application to his Lordships Governt heere they shall find good Condicons, According to the Conditons of Plantatons granted to all Commers into this Province wch shall be made good to them; & that they shall have protection in theyr lives, libertys, & estates wch they shall bring with them

Letter sent by Coll Vtie to Delaware

I receaved a letter from you directed to me as the lord Baltemores Governor & lieutenant of the Province of Maryland wherein you suppose yourselfe to be Governor of a people seated in a part of Delaware Bay wch I am very well informed lyeth to the southward of the degree forty & therefore can by no meanes owne or acknowledge any for Governor there but myselfe who am by his lop appointed lieutenant of his whole Province lyeing betweene the degrees 38 & 40: but do by these require & command you presently to depart forth of this his lops Province or otherwise desire you to hould me excused if I use my Vtmost endeavor to reduce that part of his Lops Province unto its due obedience under him

Murders by Indians

The Informcon of Peter Meyer touching the death of foure English men killd in their Passage Betweene Delaware Bay and the head of Chesepeack bay by Indians upon Wednesday in Easter Weeke last Vizt.

That upon Fryday in Easter Weeke being at the Sand hooke there came unto him one Fobby Yanson and tould him that he feared that some English men were killed by the Indians because seekeing his horse in the Woods he sawe an Indian passe by wth a Grey hatt with Ribbons tyed upon a Packe at his back that a while afterwards the said Fobby Janson shewed him the Indian that had the hatt at his backe that by the assistance of Mr. William Hollingsworth of New England and some others he did apprehend the said Indian with his Companion whome upon demand of Justice the Governor of the same place Comitted to Prison Whereupon the rest of the Indians in the Towne fledd and left one packe behinde them in which packe he

found an English red Wastcoate with a hole in the back wett, and a Canvass bagg all bloody and an english paire of shoes: That one of these Prisoners were released that night to goe and fetch their King and that the next day the other were released, but upon what Ground he knowes not

And the said Peter Mayer further informed that demanding of the said Indian how he came by that hatt he answered it was Given him by another Indian called Ocomecha who had killd an English man

That he had Desired the said Packe of Goods in which the Wastcoate and bloody bagg was found to be arrested which was accordingly done, but that comeing the next day to enquire for itt the man of the house where it was deposited answered that it was given to the Indians againe And that he was tould by the Dutch that the Indians did threaten him as being an English man for to kill him

Signed PETER MEYER

NEW YORK WILLS.

In the name of God, Amen. I, Henrica Anthony, of New York, widow, being ancient and weak of body, but of sound mind.

I leave &c to my three well beloved grand sons, Henry, Allard, and Nicholas Anthony.

Mentions "my brother Warner Wessells and his children"

"Henry Coerten, son of my sister, Christina Coerten, Widow;"

"My sister, Maria Aldrichs, of New Castle, Pennsylvania"

"My brother, Harmanus Wessells, late of New York, Chirurgeon"

"My brother Dirch Wessells of New York"

I leave to Elizabeth Sharpas, daughter of William Sharpas, Town Clerk, of New York, £15.

I appoint Isaac DeReimer, merchant, William Jackson, Cordwainer, and Colonel Jacob Rutsen of Ulster County, executors

Dated January 16. 1701

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In the name of God Amen. I Jane Tothill, of New York, widow, being sick. Whereas my late husband, Jeremiah Tothill, in his last will, dated May 29, 1705, left ½ of his goods to me, and ½ to the children, viz Mary, Hyla, Jeremiah, Edward, and Jame, And the said Mary have since married John Reade of New York, merchant, and said Hyla being dead, I leave to my son Jeremiah all my messuage &c whereon I dwell, situate on Queen Street in New York, when he is of age. &c

I leave to my executors all my right in a tract of land in the County of New Castle, on the south side of Christianus river or creek, And two lots at the northeast corner of New Castle &c &c

Dated June 23. 1720

Hoogeboom, Cornelis, and wife, Annetie Cornelison Sleght

Testamentary disposition, dated Aug 17.----(year not mentioned, but probably 1676), written in Dutch

"The whole estate shall be inherited by survivor." If they both

should die without having remarried, the estate to be inherited by the nearest relatives on both sides"

The eldest son (named Peter, in the margin), of the brother of *Cornelis Hoogeboom shall receive Cornelis Hoogeboom's cloak"—Jacomintie's daughter, sister of Annetie Cornelis, named Jannetie Jansen Kunst" "a sum of 100 guilders light money, to be paid by the survivor.

Signed by both testators, as above, and witnessed by Wessel Ten Broock and Jan Heyndencksz

Een Abraham, of New Paltz
Will dated Nov. 30. 1805
Wife Catrena
Sons †Elias and Petrus

Daughters Rachel, Annatje, and Catrena

Tack, Johannis, late of Marbletown, deceased intestate
Adm. granted. Jan 22. 1790, to Sarah Tack, the widow

Aart Pietersen Tack m. 1., Annatje Adriansen, m. 2., Grietjen Vooght, and had; with 1st wife: 1 Cornelis bapt. Aug 14, 1660; with 2nd wife: Grietjen bapt Aug. 1663

Cornelis m., Nov. 18. 1688, Barbaar Metselaer (Adamsen) b. N. Y. and had: I Johannes, bt. Nov 6. 1692 II Annatje, bapt. Nov. 12. 1693 m., May 17, 1717, Johannes van der Willigen; III Maria bapt. Nov. 15 1696, m. March 16. 1715, Hartman Heyn, b. New Castle, Pa.

NEW JERSEY ARCHIVES.

Sept 28. 1676. Discharge by Marmaduke Potter of Woodbridge of Mary Roade of the Hoars Kil on Delaware R. from engagement of marriage

1701 Aug 20. Deed. Charles Haynes, formerly of Midletown E. J., and now of Sussex Co., annexed to Pennsylvania, to William Clark of Lewis in said Sussex Co., for 220 acres in Middletown, S. John Throckmorton, W. unsurveyed land, N. grantor and John Throckmorton, E. Cold Spring Brook, as per patent of Novbr. 23. 1676, less 150 acres, sold to Edward Taylor

1693 July 22. Deed. Charles Haynes of Lewis, Sussex Co. Pennsylvania, surgeon, to Edward Taylor of Midletown, husbandman, for 150 acres, part of a patent of 220 acres in Middletown Township, and sold to said Taylor March 17. 1677

1695 Oct 17. Power of Attorney. Urbanas Thompson of Kent Co., annexed to Pennsylvania, carpenter, to his brother Gerrit Hollard

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*Cornelis Pieterse Hoogeboom, tile and brickmaker, was in Manhatans 1656, at New Amstel on the Delaware, 1657

†Elias Eign (In), of New Paltz m. Elizabeth, dau. of Anthony Crispel, and had 1st Mary bapt. Aug. 8 1697; II Jan, bapt Feb. 18, 1700; III Mary Magdalena, bapt. April 5, 1702; IV Sarah bapt, Sept 11, 1709, m Feb. 16. 1739, Isaack Walderon, born at New Castle Del. res. Poughkepsie

of N. Y. City, mariner, to take possession of 90 acres in Passey Creek, near Jasper's mill in New Worke Town, East Jersey, N. Jabez Rogers, S. John Davis, and to sell the land.

1679 May 15 Patent to Christopher Sanders of New Salem, yeoman, and wife Mary for Sander's Lot, 14 acres, on Broadawayes Street, N. E. Robinson's plantation. Christopher Saunders was a passenger in the ship Kent, that brought over settlers for Burlington, who arrived at New Castle Del. 16th 6 mo. 1677

1679 June 2 Patent to George Deacon, and wife Frances. He m 2d in 1688 Margaret Deun. 3d in 1692 Susannah daughter of Robert Ashton, of New Castle on Delaware

John Smith of Smithfield N. J., son of William Smith, was born in 1645, in Kent England, and in 1673 married Susannah Marcy, daughter of Edward Marcy. In 1685, he came over with his wife on the Ariel, landing at New Castle in 4th mo.

1678 Dec 10. Assignment by George Porter, late of Burlington, to John Yeo of the Whorekil, in N. Y. Government.

1688–9 March 6. Deed. Thomas Budd of Philadelphia to Robert Ashton of Chelsey, New Castle Co. Penna., yeoman, surviving feoffee in trust for Jacob Decorve, son of Isaac Decorve, late of Chelsey, yeoman, decd, for 600 acres at Mattacopeny, Burlington Co, now in the tenure of John Chapman &c.

1690 Sept 12. Deed. Cornelius Empson of Goole Grange, New Castle Co., Penna., gentleman, to Francis Davenport of Chesterfield, Burlington Co., W. J., yeoman, for 500 acres, to be surveyed out of the 800 acres. bo't of James Reade of White Clay Creek, said New Castle Co, and wife Sarah Dec. 26. 1689.

1689 April 4. Deed. James Reade of White Clay Creek, New Castle Co. Penna., yeoman, and wife Sarah, late the wifeof John Smith of the same place, yeoman, decd, to Edward Hunloke of Lessa Point, alias Wingerworth, Burlington Co. merchant, for 800 acres, to be surveyed out of the share of W. J., left by said Smith to his wife.

1689 Aug 13 Deed. Joseph Adams of Burlington tailor, and wife Mary, relict and administratrix of Bernard Littlejohn, to Charles Reade of Philadelphia tailor, for 300 acres between two branches of Pensaukin Creek, part of the 650 acres bought by John Clarke of Pennsylvania decd, and John Ruderow of James Reade of White Clay Creek, Pa, and wife Sarah, and by said Clarke bequeathed to Bernard Littlejohn, the said Mary (then Chapman, now) Adams and her sister Christian, now wife of Michael Buffin, each to have 100 acres, of which said Littlejohn left 100 to his wife Mary, now wife of Joseph Adams.

1697 June 16. Deed. James Read of the Town of New Castle, Penna, to William Dare of Chohansey, Salem Co., W. J., mariner, for 800 acres in W. J., not yet taken up and left by will of John Smith to his wife Sarah Smith

1689 10th d. 7th mo Deed. James Read of Muscle Criple in White Clay Creek, Co. of New Castle, Penna., yeoman, and wife Sarah, executrix of the last will of her former husband, John Smith, &c

1695–6. Feb. 4. Deed. James Read of New Castle, Penna., yeoman, to John Reading of Gloucester, yeoman,

1679 July 5. Minutes of a Called Court, held for the Whorekill, Captain John Auery, Alex. Molstine, Mr Jon. Roads, James ———, Comrs.

Order granting to Joshua Barkstead a quietus as administrator of the estate of his deceased brother John

1693 Nov. 6, Deed. Edward Champneys of Manneton, Salem Co., joiner, to Henry Jenjngs of Munmouth R. alias Allawayes Creek, same Co., tailor &c bought of John Cann of New Castle, Penna., merchant, May 17. 1693

1696. July 25. Deed. Susanna Elton, of Philadelphia, widow, to Thurlas Sulavan of New Castle Co., Penna., planter, for a dwelling house and plantation near Northampton River, Burlington Co.

1697 June 24. Deed. Turlas Sulavan of Eversham Township, Burlington Co., bricklayer

1698 May 2. Deed. Samuel Vans of New Castle Penna., merchant to Thomas Duggles of Burlington Co., yeoman

1678 —— 18 Letter. Samuel Lane, late of the Parish of St Martins, County of Middlesex, England, now of New Castle in the Duke's Province on Delaware R., his wife Dorcus and John Yeo of New Castle aforesaid to John Fenwick, certifying that they have conveyed to William Penton of New Salem, yeoman, the 500 acres bought of said Fenwick May 14. 1675

1685 —— Exceptions of Wm Hall, deft., to a bill of complaint against him by Joseph Moore of New Castle Co., Penna., carpenter

1688 19th d. 3d M. Minutes of Court proceedings.

George Haslwood *vs.* Jo. Adams, same *vs.* Hugh Hutchings.

Mem. of bond of said Haslwood and Dennis Leach for the appearance of said Leach to answer the complaint of James Wall of New Castle

1678 May 11 Surrender of trust. Matthias Neleson of Boughtown, Fenwicks Colony, to Widow Katherine Matteson and her six daughters, vizt: Anne the wife of said Neleson, Margrett, the wife of Henry Anderson of Crane Hook on West shore of Delaware R. Elizabeth, wife of Henry Everson of said Crane Hook, Walburr, wife of Oul Oulson of the Bough on said Westshore, Breitagh Matteson and Engburr Matteson of Boughtown, spinsters

1686 Nov. 11. Deed. James Nevill of Salem to Robert Ashton and Richard Darkin, both of New Castle Co., Penna., yeomen, for the tract called Windham

1691 Aug 24 Deed. Robert Ashton of George's Creek, New Castle Co., Penna., yeoman to Richard Darkin, late of same place, now of

Windham, Salem Co., W. J., for one half of 380 acres, called Windham, the whole having been conveyed to both by James Nevill November 11. 1686

1685 Oct 3. Deed. Job Nettleship, by his attorney James Nevill, of Salem, W. J., planter, confirming to John White of New Castle, Penna., all the estate, right, title &c in and to 2000 acres, granted to John and Job Nettleship by John Fenwick June 16. 1675

1687 June 13. Deed. Robert Hutchinson of New Castle Co., Penna., yeoman, to George Haslewood of New Salem, W. J., yeoman, and wife Margrett, for 1003 acres on the Northside of the River Caesariae alias Chohanzey, half of the 2000 a., tract acquired from Jobe Nettleship, heir of Vicessimus Nettleship, April 22. 1685

1701–2 Feb. 24 Deed. Peter Blacksfield of Munmouth R., Salem Co., yeoman, and wife Ann, late widow of John Haslewood, to Timothy Brooks of Cesarie River, said Co, yeoman, &c part of tract bought of Robert Hutchingon of New Castle, Penna., by George Haslewood, who bequeathed to the tract to his son John aforesaid

1689 July 3. Deed of gift. John Erickson of Lucas Point, Salem Tenth, W. J., husbandman, to his son-in-law John Stalcop of Christiana Creek, New Castle Co. (Penna), and wife Annake, grantor's daughter, for 183 acres at said Lucas Point, part of 504 a. granted by Wm Penn in two lots February 10, 1684–5

1697 July 28. Deed. John Stalcop of Christian Creek, Co. of New Castle, Penna., yeoman, to John Minch of Penn's Neck, Salem Co., husbandman, for 183 acres near Lucas Point, Penn's Neck

1697 July 24 Power of attorney. Magdalena Erickson, widow of John Erickson of Salem Co., to her son-in-law John Stalcope of New Castle Co., Penna, as agent to dispose of her share in the plantation at Lucas Point, Salem Co., left by her late husband.

1693 May 17 Assignment of John Cann of the Town of New Castle to Edward Champneys, of Allaways Creek, of "the within menconed patten"

1692 Sept 12 Deed. William de Meyer of Vlster Co., Henricus de Meyer, Philipp Schuyler and Thomas Lindall, all of New York City, and Jan Williams Nering of New Castle, Penna., to John Smith of Salem W. J., for 1000 acres on Unknown Creek, between Cohansick and Allawayes Creek, formerly belonging to Anthony Page, who conveyed the same to Samuel Hedge, from who Nicholas de Meyer bought it, leaving it by his last will to grantors

1690 June 24 Deed. Cornelius Derickson, late of New York, now of New Castle in Dellaware River, to Abraham Inloos of New Castle, mariner, for 234 acres on said river, in West Jersey, S. Fabius Johnson Outhout, N. Edward Allderick, formerly belonging to Derick Albertson

1697 June 22 Deed. Hypolitus Lefevor, late of Salem Co. W. J., now of New Castle, Penna., yeoman, to William Tyler, Salem Co., for 600 acres of the 900 a tract, called Lefevors Chase, on Fenwick's

River, over against New Salem, along Puddle Dock, Manneton Creek, and Fenwick Creek

1700 April 18. Deed. Hipolitus Lefever of New Castle, innholder, to Rother's Morris of Elsenburch, said Co. husbandman, 600 a remaining part of Lefever's Chase.

1693 Nov. 18. Deed. John Bethell, late of W. J., now of Sculkill, Penna., miller, to Thomas Nickson of New Castle Co., Penna., husbandman, for 183 acres on the Southside of Woodbury Creek, Gloucester Co., E. James Thomas, W. Elthew Cornocks, N. said creek; also 1½ a of meadow adjoining William Warner

1696 Aug 10. Deed. Sarah Welch, widow and administratrix of William Welch, late of New Castle, Penna., dec^{d}, to Mathew Medcalfe of Glocester, W. J., yeoman, for 50 acres in the townbounds of Glocester,

1701 Dec 2. Deed. John Reading of Glocester, yeoman, to Thomas Gibson of Glocester Co, husbandman, for 100 acres in W. J., part of the 4000 a tract bought of Sarah Welch, widow and administratrix, and Susanna Turner, daughter and only surviving heir of William Welch of New Castle, Penna., merchant, dec^{d}, Feb 28. 1700–1

1700–1 Feb 27 Deed. Sarah Welch of Philadelphia, widow, and administratrix of Wm Welch of New Castle, dec^{d} and Susannah Turner, widow of Robert Turner, daughter and heiress of said Wm Welch, to John Reading of Glocester and John Ladd of Glocester Co.

1694–5 Jan 15. Power of attorney. John Gibb, now of Sussex County annexed to Pensilvania, mariner, to Jonathan Dunham of Woodbridge as general agent

1683 March 29–30. Deed. William Clark, late of Dublin, now of Sussex County, Penna., to James Grahame of N. Y. merchant, for ¼ or 2–10 of Penn grant in West Jersey

1685 22^{d} 4th mo. Assignment. Joseph White to John Ireson (Irons) of New Castle Pennsilvania, tanner, of his right title &c

1685 April 22. Assignment by Jobe Nettleship, heir of Vicessimus Nettleship dec^{d}, to Robert Hutchinson of New Castle, right title &c to land granted to deceased uncle. by John Fenwick

1702 April 28 Deed. Adam Balldridge of Salem Co., gentleman, to John Jones of New Castle, Penna., innkeeper, for an island in Delaware R. near Salem, called Adams Forest

1695 March 25 Assignment by William Johnson to John Watts of New Castle Co., Penna., butcher, of "the within menconed Tract of Land"

1695–6 Feb. 19. Deed. Joshua Barkstead of Cesariae River, Salem Co., gentlemen, to William Button of the same place, yeoman, for 550 acres on said river, called Arcadia, at the head of Cypras Branch and along the main fork of Button Brook, adjoining Tho: Harris, part of 5000 a tract granted by John Fenwick to John Barkstead,

then of London, since of Jones County, Penna., June 18. 1675, of whose estate grantor became administrator

1696 July 31 Deed Charles Angelo of Salem Town, husbandman, to Widow Elizabeth Smith, late of Cristianna Creek, Penna., now of Salem Co. for her life and after her death to Prudence, wife of Thomas Killingworth of said town, gentleman, for a house and 10 acres in said town between John Paine and the Creek, excepting a lot in the town marsh, bought of Robert Coffin May 27. 1693

1695 June 18. Deed. John Kaighin of Bybury, Bucks Co. Penna., late husband of Ann, formerly widow of Walter fforest of the same place, miller, and guardian-trustee of his daughter by said Ann, Ann Kaighin, William Albertson senior of Newtown Creek, Gloscester Co., W. J., executor of said W. fforest, and his son William Albertson junior, one of the legatees of said fforest, to John Vance, late of Christiana Creek, Penna., now of near Salem, W. J.

1682 Nov. 2–3 D John Smith of Christeene Creek (Del) to Thomas Olive of Rancokus alias Northampton River

1683 May 12. Mem of Deed John Smythe of Christeene Creek, Pennsylvania, yeoman, to Thomas Wallis of Burlington, filecutter

1681–2 8 and 9th d. 12th m. Mem of Deed Matthew Allen to Hannah Kimball for 100 acres & bought of John Smith of Christeene Creek August 13–14 1680

1680 Aug. 14. Deed. John Smith of Christeene Creek (Del) yeoman, to Matthew Allen of Burlington, carpenter, for 3200 and odd acres near Rancokus Cr. on Dellaware R., called the Great Lot; also his land on Burlington Island

1680 Nov. 25. Deed. John Smyth of Christeene Creek, yeoman, to John Cripps of Burlington, yeoman, for 1½ acres in Burlington E. High St. N. Matthew Allen, S. John Woolston, W. another street

1695 Nov. 2 Will of Bryan Buckworth; mentions wife and children, but not by name. Land at Appiquininne; personal property Wife executrix with John Craig and John Ireland as advisers. Witnesses Jeremiah Birch, Peter Watson. Proved at Perth Amboy March 2 1695–6

NEW JERSEY MARRIAGES.

1766. Sept 29
Chamless Allen, Wilmington Del., and Lydia Stewart of the same place

1757 March 21
Wessell Alriche, New Castle Del., and Rebecca Hancock

1764 April 9. Charles Green, Kent Co. Delaware and Sarah Sheer

1759 June 11. Martin Carter, New Castle Del., and Jane Sherron of Salem

1769 Nov. 27. Isaac Stathem, Cumberland, and Lydya Anderson, New Castle Del.

1730 June 4. Walter Harket, New Castle Del., and Margaret Ross of the same place

1731 Feb. 12. David Ross, New Castle Del, and Sarah Rolfe, Salem

1731 Jan. 15. Alexander Keith, Delaware, and Thomasine Palmer, Philadelphia

1763 July 21. Thomas McKean, Newcastle Del., and Mary Borden, Bordentown

NEW JERSEY ARCHIVES.

1725 Mar to June. Receipts given to Mary Bedford, widow of Gunning Bedford of Pens Neck, Salem Co., for payments due by the estate to George Ross, of New Castle, "for trouble in crossing the river and preaching his Funeral Sermon" £3.

1694 March 28 John Berkstead, late of Kent Co., Penna., merchant. Administration on the estate granted his brother Joshua Barkstead; said John having purchased of Major Fenwick land in Fenwicks Colany

1728 Dec 30 Samuel Dark, of Grenwich, Cohansey Precint, Salem Co., fuller. Wife Ruth, executrix; daughter Ruth [under age], daughter-in-law (? step-daughter) Margaret Johns alias Pope, wife of Thomas Jones of Kent Co. upon Dellaware, shoemaker. Proved Aug 12. 1729

1695 July 15 Benjamin Gill, late of New Castle, Penna., now of Munmouth River, Salem Co., ship carpenter. Wife Ann sole heiress and executrix of estate in America, and in England Recorded Feb. 14. 1695–6

1676 Sept 30. Peter Hough, "now adjoiner in New Castle on Dellaware," tailor. Wife Elianor, living in St Martins in the Field, Co. of Middlesex (England), a little daughter Elianor

Real and personal estate in England and at New Castle. Executors—James Williams and Samuel Land. Witnesses Will'm Tom and Tho Spry

1682 Administration on the estate granted to John Maddocks of New Salem, yeoman, attorney for the widow Elianor Hough of White Cross St., London

1697 7ber 1. Richard Hunter, late of Dublin, Ireland, tanner, and now of West Jersey.

Wife Elizabeth. Children—Benjamin, Ann, Rachell and Elizabeth, all under age

Son Benjamin and daughter Ann executors with Thomas Starkey and Thomas Adderton of Dublin as overseers during the minority of the executors; the estate in America is placed in charge of Richard Guy of Elsenburgh, yeoman, Robert Zane of New Salem, merchant, and Wm Cooper of Burlington, blacksmith. Witnesses—John Thompson and James Nevill

1679 Dec 3. The Court at New Castle, in which jurisdiction Hunter died, confirm the American executors

——— ——— Paul Jaquatt of Pen's Neck, Salem Co., yeoman. Wife Mary sole executrix.

Children—John, Paul, Peter, Casparus, Mary and Sarah; legacies to sons of brother John, Viz., Peter and Cornelius, to Thos Mowyer and wife Mary, to Faulk Davis and wife

Land at White Clay Creek and at New Castle

Witnesses—Jacob Glenn, Tho. Wells, and Edward Meecum. Recorded December 9. 1702

1713-4 Feb. 6. Elizabeth Rumsey, widow of Robert, of Salem Town. Divides real and personal estate between brother Rinier van Hyst, Robert Colord, John Gentrea, Joseph Gregry.

House and lots in Salem, 300 acres at Whitelo Creek, New Castle Co., Penna.,

Executors, brother Riner van Hyst and John Mason.

Witnesses—Wm Grifin, John Lecroye, Rotho Raymond.

Proved June 23. 1714

1717 Dec 18. Hance Skeare or Scear, of Pen's Neck, Salem Co., yeoman. Wife Anne.

Children—Marten, Mary, Keatern, Erick; Speaks of five daughters, but gives above names of only two.

Farm on lower side of St Gorgis Creek, Newcasell Co., upon Delaway, adjoining brother Larance Skeare. Home farm. Personal property.

Executors—the wife and son Marten.

Witnesses Abraham Lidenius, William Philpot, James Watkiner. Proved September 2. 1723

1719 June 9 Bond of Ann Demire of Pen's Neck as administratrix of estate

John Young and Alexander Simson of Maninton Precinct, said Co., fellow bondsmen

Endorsed; "Bond of Eliz. Demire for administration upon ye Esteat of Hance Sceare decd her former husband"

——— Dec 9. John Smith Junior, of Christeene Creek, dwelling by Mussle Cripple, New Castle Co., husbandman. Wife Sarah sole

heiress and executrix &c property and lands on both sides of Delaware River with remainder to daughter Mary.

Witnesses JOSEPH COCKESON, JOSEPH BOWLES, JONAS ARSKIN

Dated probably ——— 1685

The copy is attested by John Cann, Register of New Castle Co.

1706 July 21. John Test, of New Castle, County of New Castle on Dellaware. Wife Grace sole heiress &c.

Children spoken of, but not by name

Witnesses—GEORGE HOGGE, JOSEPH GRIFFIN, BENJA: SWETT.

Proved January 20. 1709–10, and letters testamentary granted to John Bacon who had married widow Grace Test.

1727 4th d. 7th m. Andrew Thompson, Junior, of Elsonburrow, Salem Co. yeoman. Wife Grace.

Children Andrew, Joshua, Hannah Cook, Thomas, Sarah and Abraham; brother John mentioned

Proved Oct 14. 1727

Bond of John Cook of Duck Creek, Kent Co., as administrator of the estate

1715 Nov. 23 Fredrick Tribbeko, late of Saxon Gota, in High Germany, but now of Philadelphia, Penn., merchant. Divides estate, real and personal between Elizabeth, wife of Isaac England of Kent Co. Maryland, yeoman, Sarah, daughter of Stephen Coleman of Philadelphia, decd, Casper Hoodt of Philadelphia, tailor, and his daughters Judith and Mary Hoodt, Elisheba Reverde, of Philadelphia, Spinster, Richard Johnson of Salem N. J., Renier Ludeken of said Salem, tailor; sister Mary Tribbeko, living in Saxe Gotha aforesaid, receives all property inherited from parents Adam Tribbeko and wife Sophia Elizabeth of the City of Gotha, decd, besides £100 out of the American estate

Proved December 19. 1715

1727 March 31 Isaac van Dike, of Middlesex Co. about 47 years old. Wife Barber (Barbara)

Children—Thomas, Isaac, Mary, last two under age. Farm in St George's Hundred, New Castle Co., bought of William Cuerton. Personal property.

Executors—brother Andress van Dike of New Castle Co., and John van Dike of Middlesex Co.

Witnesses—TEUNIS QUICK, CORNELIUS WILLIAMSON, THO: YATES.

Proved May 15. 1727

1690 May 6 Christopher Watkins, of the Lower Hook, Gloucester Co. Personal estate (£205. 4. 5)

Mem: that there is some estate in England

1690 June 2 Administration on estate granted to his brother-in-law Cornelius Empson of Pensilvania

Bond of Cornelius Empson of New Castle Co. Penna. as administrator

1728–9 Jan 9 Owen Swane of Penn's Neck Salem Co. yeoman. Wife Elizabeth executrix

1730 Oct 24 Elizabeth has discharged debts due Caleb Perkins (judgement before Thos Cartmell, J. P. of New Castle Co.

1688 Dec 14. Adlord Bowde, of Burlington, merchant. 1692 Oct 14. Letters of administration on the estate, granted to Jane Bowde, alias Scott, late wife of Isaac, the son of Adlord Bowde.

The entry says; "There being heretofore on or about 14 December Anno 1688 by Jno Skene Administracione granted to James Budd since decd, of ye same estate, And also by sd Jno Skene an Administracione granted to Susanna ye wife of Tho. Budd of ye estate of sd Ja: Budd, And noe Acct. by either of ye said Administratrs appearing of ye estate of sd Adlord Bowde ye said estate lies in obscurity," whereupon letters are issued as above

1692 Oct 14 Bond of Jane Bowde, alias Scott, of Lewis Sussex Co. Penn., late wife of Isaac Bowde, merchant, as administratrix of Adlord Bowde's estate.

1714 March 29 John des Marets of New Barbados, Bargen Co., "Youman" Wife Magdalena.

Children—John of Apoghquinimy, Penna., Peter of New Barbados, Maria, wife of Jacobus Shot, who has son Peter, Sarah, wife of Abraham Canaan of Richmond Co., who has son Isaac, Rachell, wife of Thomas Hyer, of Apoghquinimy, who has son John, Jaquemine, wife of John Steward of Chester Co., Lea, wife of Abraham Brower, Magdalena, wife of Jeames Christianson, who has son John, grandson David, son of deceased eldest son David.

Proved November 10. 1719

1694 Sept 15 John Rodenie, of Philadelphia, gentleman. Wife Anne sole heiress and executrix of real and personal estate, until son Cesar Rodney is 21: legacies to daughter Penelopy Roach, nephew William Rodney, of Jones Co., friend Thomas Boleman, Nephew Wm Rodney with friends Philipp Richards and John Jones of Philadelphia, merchants, to assist the executrix

1694–5 March 2 Bond of the widow Anne Rodeney of Burlington.

Mr. Barney will be an w/ indeed

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